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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors' closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING, I WOULD ASK EVERYONE TO
7 PLEASE RISE. WE WILL BEGIN OUR MEETING THIS MORNING. WE WILL
8 BE LED IN OUR INVOCATION BY PASTOR KEN GODDARD, CITY OF HOPE
9 FOURSQUARE CHURCH, VALLEY VILLAGE, FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF
10 ALLEGIANCE BY MR. ELLIS WILSON, CHAIRMAN YOUTH ACTIVITIES,
11 V.F.W. OF THE UNITED STATES. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, A VETERAN
12 OF WORLD WAR II. PASTOR?

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14 **PASTOR KEN M. GODDARD:** FATHER, WE STAND BEFORE YOU UNITED HERE
15 THIS MORNING. I ASK THAT YOU WOULD EMPOWER THOSE THAT ARE
16 GATHERED HERE AS THEY PLAN AND MAKE DECISIONS THAT WOULD MOLD
17 THIS COUNTY. MAY THE PLANS BE IN LINE WITH YOUR PURPOSE. MAY
18 BE IT FRUITFUL AND MOVE FORWARD WITH THE EMPOWERMENT AND THE
19 BLESSING. MAKE THIS AND EVERY TIME THESE MEN AND WOMEN MEET
20 TOGETHER BE A TIME THAT YOU SUPPLY WISDOM, STRENGTH AND
21 ABILITY TO DO WHAT'S BEST FOR US, TO MOLD OUR COMMUNITY, OUR
22 FAMILIES, OUR COUNTY. BLESS THEM. OPEN THEIR HEARTS AND THEIR
23 EYES TO SEE EXACTLY YOUR PURPOSE AND YOUR PLAN. GIVE THEM
24 VISION. YOUR WORD SAYS THAT "WITHOUT VISION, WE PERISH." SO
25 GIVE THEM VISION AND PURPOSE. AMEN.



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2 **ELLIS E. WILSON:** I WILL REPEAT THE PLEDGE. YOU PLACE YOUR
3 RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MR. CHAIRMAN, WE WERE LED IN THE INVOCATION
8 THIS MORNING BY PASTOR KEN GODDARD, WHO CURRENTLY SERVES AS A
9 BI-VOCATIONAL ASSISTANT PASTOR OF L.A. INTERNATIONAL CHRISTIAN
10 CENTER, A MULTI-CULTURAL AND DIVERSE CONGREGATION. PASTOR
11 GODDARD ENJOYS REACHING HIS COMMUNITY THROUGH EVANGELISM. HE
12 WAS RAISED IN TUJUNGA, CALIFORNIA, AND ESTABLISHED A STRONG
13 EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND IN BIBLICAL STUDIES AND HONED HIS
14 COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS BY DEVELOPING A SPECIAL EXPERTISE IN
15 INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY. HE CURRENTLY RESIDES IN NORTH
16 HOLLYWOOD WITH HIS WIFE, KELLY AND HIS SON, MATTHEW AND WE
17 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR LEADING US IN THE INVOCATION THIS
18 MORNING, PASTOR. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN AND
23 COLLEAGUES. WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE WITH US ELLIS E. WILSON, A
24 51-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT. HE SERVED AS A



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1 SERGEANT IN THE U.S. ARMY IN THE 1312 ENGINEER REGIMENT UNIT
2 FROM 1943 UNTIL 1946.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WOW.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** HE HAS RECEIVED A NUMBER OF DECORATIONS
7 THAT INCLUDE A GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL, THE ASIATIC PACIFIC
8 CAMPAIGN MEDAL, AND A WORLD WAR II VICTORY MEDAL. I THINK THAT
9 DESERVES A ROUND OF APPLAUSE ALL BY ITSELF. [APPLAUSE.] MR.
10 WILSON IS CURRENTLY THE CHAIRMAN OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES FOR THE
11 FIFTH DISTRICT OF THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED
12 STATES OF AMERICA. HIS FINAL CAREER POST BEFORE RETIRING WAS
13 WITH THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RAPID TRANSIT DISTRICT. HE IS A
14 GRADUATE OF THE BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL IN TULSA,
15 OKLAHOMA, AND WILSHIRE SCHOOL OF PHOTOGRAPHY. AND SO, MR.
16 ELLIS, IT IS WITH A GREAT DEGREE OF APPRECIATION THAT WE
17 PRESENT YOU THIS CERTIFICATE ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRETY OF THE
18 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
19 SERVICE TO THE NATION AND FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
20 COMMUNITY AT LARGE. [APPLAUSE.]

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
25 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, PUBLIC HEARINGS



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1 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7. ON ITEM NO. 2, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
2 AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
3 CONTINUED WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO MAY 25TH, 2010. THAT WAS ITEM
4 NO. 2.

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. 6, I WANT TO HOLD THAT.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 2 IS BEING CONTINUED.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE PUBLIC
13 HEARING WILL BE HELD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. WE'RE NOW ON PAGE
14 6, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 8
15 THROUGH 13. ON ITEM NO. 11, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT
16 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS OFFICE. ON ITEM NO. 12,
17 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
18 ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE
19 BEFORE YOU.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
22 RIDLEY-THOMAS, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA; WITHOUT
23 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 8, CONSENT CALENDAR,
2 ITEMS 14 THROUGH 20. ON ITEM NO. 14, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
3 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 15, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
8 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 16, THIS
9 INCLUDES THE REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA,
10 AND ALSO THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
11 THIS ITEM.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 17, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
16 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 1ST,
17 2009.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DID I -- IS THAT GOING INTO CLOSED
20 SESSION, AS WELL? YES? IT'S ALREADY? ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.
21 ITEM 17 IS GOING TO BE CONTINUED FOR A WEEK, BUT A RELATED
22 ITEM IS CS-2.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CS-1.

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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE ARE DOING CLOSED SESSION TODAY ON
2 THAT.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 19, AS INDICATED ON THE
5 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT
6 THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 20, AS INDICATED ON THE
11 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT
12 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO DECEMBER 1ST, 2009.

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14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUCH A FLURRY OF ACTIVITY FROM THE
15 ACTING COUNTY COUNSEL. [LAUGHTER.]

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
18 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
21 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY; WITHOUT
22 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION. ON ITEM NO. 21,
25 AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN



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1 ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6, SALARIES OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
2 CODE RELATING TO THE ADDITION, DELETION, AND/OR CHANGING OF
3 CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBER OF ORDINANCE POSITIONS IN
4 VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THE FINDINGS OF
5 CLASSIFICATION STUDIES AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION. AND
6 ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
7 HELD.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. RELATES TO 14. OKAY.

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11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE 11, DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 22 WE
12 WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

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16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** FISCAL YEAR 2009-10 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET
17 RESOLUTION AGENDA ITEMS 23 AND 24. ON ITEM NO. 23, WE WILL
18 HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. ON ITEM NO. 24, AS INDICATED ON THE
19 POSTED AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS
20 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO DECEMBER 15TH, 2009. MISCELLANEOUS
21 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN -- ON ITEM
22 NO. 22, WE WILL HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS
23 TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE
24 OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM
25 1-D.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE CHAIR
3 WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 25-A, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
6 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 25-B, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST
11 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 25-C IS BEFORE YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME SEE HERE. 25-C, MOVED BY
18 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND WITHOUT
19 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 25-D, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN
22 FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO.
23 7062 AS AMENDED RELATED TO THE ELECTRICAL TRANSMISSION AND
24 DISTRIBUTION FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON
25 COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
3 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON 25-E, I'LL ALSO READ THE SHORT TITLE IN
6 FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO.
7 6765 AS AMENDED RELATING TO THE GAS PIPELINE FRANCHISE GRANTED
8 TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EDISON COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA
9 CORPORATION. AND THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY
12 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
15 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
16 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 1.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS?
19 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? OKAY.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE OUR PUBLIC
22 DEFENDER, MR. MICHAEL JUDGE, TO JOIN ME UP HERE. TODAY WE ARE
23 COMMENDING THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE FOR RECEIVING TWO 2009
24 ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS FROM N.A.C.O., WHICH IS THE NATIONAL
25 ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES. EACH YEAR, N.A.C.O. HONORS THE COUNTY



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1 DEPARTMENTS AND PROJECT MANAGERS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES
2 WHOSE PROGRAMS ARE MODELS OF INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY. AND
3 THIS DEPARTMENT, MICHAEL'S DEPARTMENT, WON TWO OF THOSE AWARDS
4 THIS YEAR. FIRST WE RECOGNIZE THE DEPARTMENT'S SECOND CHANCE
5 WOMEN'S REENTRY COURT PROGRAM. AND THE PROJECT TEAM, INCLUDING
6 JOANNE ROTHSTEIN, PUBLIC DEFENDER, HEAD DEPUTY ALONG WITH
7 NANCY CHAD, KIMBERLY WONG, CHRISTY ROLLINS, KIM HASSET, DR.
8 NINA MESSINA, JUDGE MICHAEL TYNAN, AND MARK DELGADO FROM OUR
9 C.C.J.C.C. AND THAT'S THE FIRST ONE. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE NEXT ONE IS THE ASSISTANT TO
12 PRISONERS WITH CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS PROGRAM. AND THE PROJECT
13 TEAM WAS STANLEY SHIMOTZU, DIVISION CHIEF, ALONG WITH ROBERT
14 MENDOZA AND ANN MARIE BRACO. [APPLAUSE.] ALL RIGHT.

15

16 **MICHAEL JUDGE:** I'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PEOPLE THAT ARE
17 HERE WHO ACTUALLY MAKE THE PROGRAM WORK. AND WE'LL START WITH
18 THE WOMEN'S REENTRY COURT, WHICH IS, I THINK, A MODEL FOR THE
19 STATE. THIS DEALS WITH A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM THAT WE HAVE
20 EXPERIENCED IN WHICH PAROLEES FAIL AT AN ENORMOUS RATE, OVER
21 70 PERCENT OF THEM FAIL. AND THAT INCLUDES WOMEN, ESPECIALLY
22 WOMEN COMING OUT WHO HAVE CHILDREN TO CARE FOR AND THEY'RE
23 UNDER SOME ENORMOUS PRESSURES. AND THAT'S WHAT WE DEALT WITH
24 IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE. IT'S A COLLABORATIVE INVOLVING
25 PROBATION, THE COURTS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF PAROLE, THE



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1 DISTRICT ATTORNEY, THE PUBLIC DEFENDER, THERE ARE LAW
2 ENFORCEMENT FOLKS INVOLVED. AND THE PEOPLE THAT ARE HERE NOT
3 ONLY HELPED TO DESIGN THE SPECIFICS OF THE PROGRAM BUT TO
4 MONITOR IT, TO INSURE THAT THERE WAS SUCCESS, THAT THERE WAS
5 FUNDING FOR IT. AND THAT CAME INTO JEOPARDY SEVERAL TIMES, BUT
6 THEY SUCCEEDED IN PRESERVING THE FUNDING. AND THE NORMAL
7 FAILURE RATE IS OVER 70 PERCENT FOR PAROLEES COMING BACK INTO
8 OUR COMMUNITY. IN THIS PARTICULAR PROGRAM, SINCE SEPTEMBER OF
9 2007, THE SUCCESS RATE IS 90 PERCENT. THIS DEMONSTRATES WHAT
10 CAN HAPPEN WHEN WE HAVE PEOPLE COMING OUT OF PRISON IF THEY
11 GET THE PROPER ASSESSMENTS AND GET ALL THE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES
12 AND TRAINING AND CARE THAT THEY NEED. AND THIS IS PROBABLY THE
13 MOST DIFFICULT OF THE POPULATIONS, IN MANY WAYS, BECAUSE THESE
14 WOMEN HAVE TO CARE FOR THE CHILDREN SUCCESSFULLY AT THE SAME
15 TIME THEY'RE DEALING WITH ALL THE REENTRY ISSUES. THE OTHER
16 PROGRAM HAS TO DO WITH CHILD SUPPORT SITUATIONS. AND THE
17 RESULT THAT HAS BEEN OBTAINED IS THAT THERE'S A MUCH HIGHER
18 COMPLIANCE RATE WHEN PEOPLE GET OUT OF JAIL OR PRISON WHO WERE
19 UNDER CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS, AND THEY'RE MUCH MORE LIKELY TO
20 GET EMPLOYED. AND THE REASON IS THAT, AGAIN, IN A PARTNERSHIP,
21 THE PEOPLE GOING IN HAVE THE ORDERS HELD IN ABEYANCE WHILE
22 THEY'RE IN WHEN THEY OBVIOUSLY CAN'T PROVIDE ANY SUPPORT. WHEN
23 THEY COME OUT, THEN, THEY'RE MORE LIKELY TO ENGAGE WITH THE
24 FAMILY, MUCH MORE LIKELY TO GET EMPLOYED BECAUSE THEY HAVE A
25 REASONABLE CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATION FACING THEM. OTHERWISE,



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1 THEY WILL FAIL IMMEDIATELY, THEIR DRIVER'S LICENSES WILL BE
2 TAKEN AWAY AND THEY JUST SIMPLY WON'T BE ABLE TO GET
3 EMPLOYMENT. AND THEY DISENGAGE FROM THE FAMILIES AND JUST END
4 UP BACK IN JAIL. WE HAVE THE PEOPLE HERE THAT HAVE MADE THAT
5 WORK. AND, YOU KNOW, I'M PLEASED THAT THEY'RE ALL NAMED,
6 BECAUSE THEY'RE THE ONES WHO REALLY DESERVE THE CREDIT. SO
7 THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. SUPERVISOR.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. JUDGE. [APPLAUSE.] YOU
10 DID ALL THAT WITHOUT KALUNIAN, TOO, HUH?

11

12 **MICHAEL JUDGE:** THAT'S A SORE POINT. YOU SAID 60 DAYS. NOW IT'S
13 ABOUT 10 MONTHS. I'M GETTING REAL TIRED. [LAUGHTER.]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TRUST ME, IT WON'T BE MUCH LONGER. MAYBE
16 ANOTHER YEAR OR TWO. [LAUGHTER.] THANK YOU ALL.
17 CONGRATULATIONS. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS, IT'S A REAL
20 PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE A WONDERFUL COUPLE WHO HAVE BEEN MARRIED
21 63 YEARS, AND THAT'S MOLLY AND MILLARD MURPHY. THEY'RE FROM
22 PASADENA. THEY WERE BOTH BORN IN EAST LOS ANGELES. AND MOLLY
23 AND MILLARD MARRIED EACH OTHER ON AUGUST 28TH, 1946 WHERE THEY
24 TOOK UP THEIR RESIDENCE IN PASADENA, AND THEN IN 1958, WITH
25 THEIR FIVE CHILDREN. WITHIN A FEW MORE YEARS, THEY JOINED



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1 THEIR UNION FOR A GRAND TOTAL OF 11 CHILDREN. SO THEY NEED
2 MORE THAN A SCROLL FOR THAT. BEGINNING AS A DRIVER WITH THE
3 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, MILLARD ADVANCED TO
4 SCHOOL BUS DRIVER, LATER SERVING AS THE SUPERVISOR INSTRUCTOR
5 OF NEWLY EMPLOYED DRIVERS. HE THEN TAUGHT DEFENSIVE DRIVING TO
6 THE OFFICERS OF THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL, RETIRING AFTER
7 35 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO OUR UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.
8 UPON GRADUATION FROM U.C.L.A., MOLLY BECAME A SPANISH, FRENCH
9 AND ENGLISH INSTRUCTOR, A TEACHER FIRST SERVING THE L.A.
10 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND LATER WITH PASADENA CITY COLLEGE
11 AND EL CAMINO COLLEGE. AFTER RETIRING FROM P.C.C. AND
12 L.A.U.S.D., MOLLY TAUGHT OCCUPATIONAL SPANISH TO OFFICERS OF
13 THE PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT. AND MOLLY OFFERS TUTORING TO
14 STUDENTS. WHETHER BY CAR, TRAIN OR BUS OR AIRPLANE, THEY ARE
15 WORLD TRAVELERS AND THEY VISIT DESTINATIONS THROUGHOUT THE
16 ENTIRE UNITED STATES AND EVERY CONTINENT OF THE WORLD EXCEPT
17 ANTARCTICA. THROUGH HARD FAITH, HARD WORK AND DEDICATION, THEY
18 HAVE RAISED 11 SUCCESSFUL CHILDREN DURING THEIR 63 YEARS OF
19 MARRIAGE. ALONG WITH THEIR FAMILY THEY HAVE 36 GRANDCHILDREN
20 AND 10 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. SO GOD BLESS YOU BOTH AND THANK
21 YOU FOR BEING GREAT ROLE MODELS FOR OUR COMMUNITY. AND WE'RE
22 VERY PLEASED TO HAVE YOU IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT.
23 [APPLAUSE.] ONE MORE CAMERA.
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1 **MILLARD MURPHY:** HOW DO I DO IT? WELL, AT THE AGE OF 17, I MET
2 THIS LADY. AND I DECIDED THAT THIS WAS THE ONE I WANTED TO
3 SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE WITH. AND THIS IS THE RESULT. IT'S
4 BEEN A WONDERFUL TRIP WITH HER. SHE'S BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE AND
5 JUST A WONDERFUL WIFE AND MOTHER. AND THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **MOLLY MURPHY:** I'M NOT ONE FOR SPEAKING. IT WAS A LOT OF HARD
8 WORK, BUT IT WAS REALLY WONDERFUL. [LAUGHTER.]

9

10 **SHIRLEY SMITH:** WE'RE FROM BOYLE HEIGHTS. AND THE MURPHYS WERE
11 LIKE THE STANDARD FOR WHAT WE NEEDED TO DO WITH OUR CHILDREN.
12 AND WE HAVE FOUND THAT CHILDREN RAISED IN BOYLE HEIGHTS HAVE
13 AN ETHIC THAT WE OFTEN DON'T SEE EVERYWHERE. AND THE MURPHYS
14 ARE VERY RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT. THEY RAISED 11 SUCCESSFUL
15 CHILDREN. AND FOR THOSE OF US WHO CAME UP LATER, WE WOULD SAY
16 HOW DID THE MURPHYS DO IT? AND WHEN YOU GOT THAT ANSWER BACK,
17 THAT WAS OUR PATTERN AS TO HOW WE WERE GOING TO DO IT. SO NOT
18 ONLY ARE THEY RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR WONDERFUL CHILDREN, THEY
19 ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR WONDERFUL CHILDREN WHO ARE THROUGHOUT L.A.
20 COUNTY. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WOW, THAT WAS SPECIAL. WHAT A GREAT
23 COMPLIMENT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEN WE HAVE A LITTLE SIMON, WHO IS A LITTLE
2 CHIHUAHUA MIX, A LITTLE BOY. I THINK THERE WAS A DACHSIE IN
3 THAT CHIHUAHUA BATCH THAT WE HAD LAST WEEK. SAY HELLO. HE'S
4 TWO YEARS OLD, AND SIMON'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. SO ANYBODY WHO
5 WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT SIMON, YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644. OR IF
6 THE MURPHYS WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT SIMON, HE WOULD MAKE A
7 BEAUTIFUL ADDITION. OR ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE. DO YOU SEE
8 ANYBODY, SIMON? OKAY. LET'S START AGAIN WITH THE PUBLIC
9 HEARINGS, PLEASE.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
12 BOARD ON ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT
13 HAND TO BE SWORN IN.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ITEMS 1 THROUGH 7. IF YOU'RE HERE
16 TO TESTIFY ON 1 THROUGH 7, PLEASE STAND AND WE'LL SWEAR YOU
17 IN. 1 THROUGH 7.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS
20 BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE
21 TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD? THANK YOU.
22 YOU MAY BE SEATED. ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS THE HEARING ON
23 ANNEXATION TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND
24 COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, UNINCORPORATED ZONE, IN THE
25 LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN ANNEXED TERRITORIES FOR STREET



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1 LIGHTING PURPOSES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011. I BELIEVE THERE
2 IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SIR, PLEASE IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR
5 THE RECORD.

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7 **DAVID STRINGER:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN AND HONORABLE
8 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DAVID STRINGER AND I'M A SENIOR CIVIL
9 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M FAMILIAR WITH
10 THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO COUNTY LIGHTING
11 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1,
12 UNINCORPORATED ZONE, AND THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF
13 ASSESSMENTS FOR THE TERRITORIES IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD LETTER
14 WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF ROWLAND
15 HEIGHTS, VALINDA, NEWHALL, LOS NIETOS AND SOUTH WHITTIER. IN
16 MY OPINION, THESE TERRITORIES WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE
17 ANNEXATION AND THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED
18 ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE ARE
19 ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE NEGOTIATED
20 EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES FOR THE NONEXEMPT TAXING
21 AGENCIES.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY COMMENT FROM COUNTY COUNSEL?

24



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1 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE
2 TO CLOSE THE HEARING IN TABULATION OF THE BALLOTS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO WE HAVE ANYONE SIGNED UP? OKAY. SO WE
5 WILL CLOSE THE HEARING. SO ORDERED. AND THEN WE WILL TABULATE
6 BALLOTS. WE WILL TABLE THE ITEM, THEN, UNTIL WE TABULATE THE
7 BALLOTS.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. ON ITEM NO. 3, THIS IS THE DE
10 NOVO HEARING ON PROJECT NO. R2006-03795-(2), CONDITIONAL USE
11 PERMIT CASE NO. 200-60-0329-(2), AND CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION,
12 LOCATED AT 21603 BERENDO AVENUE, IN THE COMMUNITY OF WEST
13 CARSON, WITHIN THE CARSON ZONED DISTRICT, APPLIED FOR BY SALUD
14 F. RIVERA. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

15

16 **TYLER MONTGOMERY:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS TYLER
17 MONTGOMERY, I'M WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. THIS
18 IS AN APPEAL BY MS. CHRIS TABELLARIO OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING
19 COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. 200600329
20 ON MAY 20, 2009. THE APPLICANT SEEKS TO AUTHORIZE THE
21 CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A DUPLEX IN A C-3 UNLIMITED
22 COMMERCIAL ZONE. A TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE IS PERMITTED WITHIN C-
23 3 ZONE SUBJECT TO THE ISSUANCE OF A C.U.P. THE PROJECT SITE IS
24 LOCATED AT 21603 BERENDO AVENUE IN THE CARSON ZONED DISTRICT
25 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. A DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING WAS HELD



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1 BEFORE A HEARING OFFICER ON JANUARY 20, 2009. THE APPLICANT
2 AND HER REPRESENTATIVE, MISS CONSUELO CHANECO, WERE SWORN IN
3 AND TESTIFIED IN FAVOR OF THE PROJECT. TWO AREA RESIDENTS, MS.
4 CHRIS TABELLARIO AND MR. DONALD HIBBARD WERE SWORN IN AND
5 TESTIFIED IN OPPOSITION TO THE PROJECT STATING THAT THE
6 PROJECT WAS OUT OF CHARACTER WITH THE SURROUNDING
7 NEIGHBORHOOD. THE HEARING OFFICER GINA NATOLI SUBSEQUENTLY
8 CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AND DENIED THE PROJECT FOR THE
9 FOLLOWING REASONS: THE PROPERTY WOULD NOT BE APPROPRIATELY
10 UTILIZED AS THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL USE RATHER THAN AN
11 ALLOWED COMMERCIAL USE. THE PROPOSED THREE-STORY DUPLEX WAS
12 NOT OF SIMILAR CHARACTER TO SURROUNDING RESIDENTIAL USES. IT
13 WAS LIKELY THAT THE PROPOSED HEIGHT, DENSITY AND USAGE OF THE
14 PROJECT AT THE LOCATION WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT THE HEALTH,
15 PEACE, COMFORT OR WELFARE OF PERSONS RESIDING AND WORKING IN
16 THE SURROUNDING AREA. THE PROJECT WOULD LIKELY BE MATERIALLY
17 DETRIMENTAL TO USE, ENJOYMENT AND VALUATION OF RESIDENTIAL
18 PROPERTIES IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY BY BLOCKING LIGHT,
19 ELIMINATING VIEWS, AND INHIBITING PRIVACY. AND DUE TO
20 INCONSISTENCIES IN THE SITE PLANS, IT WAS LIKELY THAT THE
21 PROJECT'S PROPOSED THIRD STORY WOULD BE EMPLOYED FOR
22 NONPERMITTED USES AT A FUTURE DATE. THE APPLICANT APPEALED THE
23 HEARING OFFICER'S DECISION TO THE REGIONAL PLANNING
24 COMMISSION, WHICH HELD A DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING ON APRIL
25 1, 2009. ALL COMMISSIONERS WERE PRESENT. CONCERNS INCLUDED THE



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1 STATEMENT THAT THE PROJECT WAS OUT OF CHARACTER WITH THE
2 SURROUNDING SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY, THAT THE
3 SUBMITTED SITE PLANS WERE VAGUE AND CONFUSING, AND THAT THE
4 STRUCTURE, WHICH INCLUDED NUMEROUS BEDROOMS AND BATHROOMS,
5 COULD BE EASILY CONVERTED TO UNPERMITTED MULTI-FAMILY
6 RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL USES IN THE FUTURE. SUCH USES, THEY
7 STATED, COULD BRING AN INCREASE IN CRIME, TRAFFIC AND
8 TRANSIENTS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AFTER DISCUSSION, THE
9 COMMISSION REQUESTED THAT THE APPLICANT MAKE SEVERAL CHANGES
10 TO THE SUBMITTED SITE PLAN. THESE CHANGES INCLUDED THE
11 FOLLOWING: REDESIGN THE STRUCTURE TO INCORPORATE A MINIMUM 5-
12 FOOT REAR YARD SETBACK ALONG ITS ENTIRE LENGTH. REVISE THE
13 ARCHITECTURAL PLANS TO SHOW THE THIRD STORY OF THE STRUCTURE
14 AS HABITABLE SPACE RATHER THAN AN UNINHABITED ATTIC. REDUCE
15 THE HEIGHT OF THE STRUCTURE'S THIRD STORY WALLS BY AT LEAST
16 THREE FEET SO THAT THE SLOPE OF THE ROOF MET THE THIRD STORY
17 FLOOR AT THE STRUCTURE'S PERIMETER. AND REDESIGN THE WINDOWS
18 OF THE UPPER STORIES IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE THE PRIVACY OF
19 NEIGHBORS TO THE REAR. THE COMMISSION SUBSEQUENTLY CONTINUED
20 THE PUBLIC HEARING UNTIL MAY 20, 2009. A CONTINUED PUBLIC
21 HEARING WAS HELD. ALL COMMISSIONERS WERE PRESENT. STAFF
22 INFORMED THE COMMISSION THAT THE REVISED PLANS AS SUBMITTED BY
23 THE APPLICANTS SUBSTANTIALLY INCORPORATED ALL CHANGES
24 REQUESTED AT THE PREVIOUS HEARING. IN ADDITION, THE APPLICANT
25 VOLUNTARILY REDUCED THE NUMBER OF BATHROOMS IN THE TWO-FAMILY



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1 RESIDENCE FROM 10 TO 7 AND AGREED TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL
2 LANDSCAPING AT THE REAR OF THE STRUCTURE. AFTER SOME
3 DISCUSSION, THE COMMISSION CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AND VOTED
4 FIVE TO ZERO TO APPROVE THE C.U.P. WITH THOSE CONDITIONS
5 RECOMMENDED BY STAFF. THIS APPROVAL WAS SUBSEQUENTLY APPEALED
6 TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SINCE THIS TIME, STAFF HAS HAD
7 SEVERAL DISCUSSIONS WITH THE APPLICANT REGARDING CONCESSIONS
8 SHE WOULD BE WILLING TO MAKE IN ORDER TO MITIGATE THE
9 CONTINUED CONCERNS OF HER NEIGHBORS. AT THIS TIME, MS. RIVERA
10 HAS AGREED TO LIMIT THE HEIGHT OF THE PROPOSED DUPLEX TO TWO
11 STORIES OR 25 FEET IN HEIGHT BY ELIMINATING THE THIRD STORY
12 FROM THE DESIGN. THE APPLICANT WOULD ALSO HAVE 90 DAYS FROM
13 THE DATE OF FINAL ACTION TO REMOVE ALL UNPERMITTED STRUCTURES
14 AND STORAGE ON THE PROJECT SITE. THIS, COMBINED WITH OTHER
15 DESIGN FEATURES OF THE PROJECT TO WHICH THE APPLICANT HAS
16 AGREED, CONVINCES STAFF THAT THE BURDEN OF PROOF FOR A
17 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT HAS BEEN MET. STAFF THEREFORE
18 RECOMMENDS THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DENY THE APPEAL AND
19 APPROVE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT 200600329 WITH THE REVISED
20 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL INCORPORATING THE NEW TWO-STORY HEIGHT
21 LIMIT AND THE 90-DAY TIME LIMIT TO REMOVE UNPERMITTED
22 STRUCTURES AND STORAGE. THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

23
24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE DO HAVE SEVERAL MEMBERS OF
25 THE PUBLIC THAT HAVE SIGNED UP TO SPEAK. I'M GOING TO CALL



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1 CONSUELO CHANECO AND SALUD RIVERA TO COME FORWARD, AS
2 PROPOSERS OF THE PROJECT IF THEY'RE HERE. OKAY. IF YOU'LL
3 IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD, PLEASE AND THEN GO AHEAD.
4 YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES.

5

6 **SALUD RIVERA:** MY NAME IS SALUD F. RIVERA.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. GO AHEAD.

9

10 **SALUD RIVERA:** I'M THE OWNER OF THE PROJECT ON 21603 BAREND
11 AVENUE, IN TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, 90502.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANYTHING ELSE? ANY COMMENTS YOU'D LIKE
14 TO MAKE IN REGARDS TO THE STAFF REPORT?

15

16 **SALUD RIVERA:** I AGREE WITH THE CONDITIONS ON THE PROJECT.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ANYTHING ELSE? IF NOT,
19 CONSUELO?

20

21 **CONSUELO CHANECO:** MY NAME IS CONSUELO CHANECO, AND I AM IN
22 FAVOR FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT. AND WE WOULD LIKE
23 TO REQUEST THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO APPROVE
24 THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. AS FAR AS WE
25 ARE CONCERNED, WE BELIEVE THAT WE HAVE COMPLIED ALL THE



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1 CONDITIONS OF THE BUILDING CODES AND THE ZONING CODES AS FAR
2 AS THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS FOR THE PROJECT HAS BEEN
3 MET.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND YOU AGREE TO A NEW CONDITION OF
6 REDUCTION FROM THREE STORIES TO TWO STORIES?

7

8 **CONSUELO CHANECO:** YES, SIR, WE AGREE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THANK YOU BOTH VERY
11 MUCH. I'D ASK CHRIS TABELLARIO TO JOIN US UP HERE, PLEASE.
12 THANK YOU. AND WELCOME.

13

14 **CHRIS TABELLARIO:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING.

17

18 **CHRIS TABELLARIO:** MY NAME IS CHRIS TABELLARIO, AND ON BEHALF
19 OF THE NEIGHBORS AT 26103 BARENDI WE THANK YOU FOR THIS
20 CONSIDERATION OF MAKING THE THREE-STORY A TWO-STORY. WE'RE IN
21 FULL AGREEMENT OF THIS MODIFICATION.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. VERY GOOD. THANK YOU.

24

25 **CHRIS TABELLARIO:** THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US AS
3 RECOMMENDED WITH THE NEW MODIFICATIONS AND CONDITIONS. MR.
4 RIDLEY-THOMAS, WOULD YOU?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. THIS APPLICATION
7 FOR A THREE-STORY BUILDING OUT OF CHARACTER WITH THE ADJACENT
8 RESIDENCES LED TO A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF CONCERN AMONG
9 NEIGHBORS. AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, WE WORKED
10 VERY HARD TO TRY TO RECONCILE THE DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW.
11 AND I'M PLEASED THAT THE WITNESSES HAVE COME TO A PLACE OF
12 RESOLUTION THAT ALL PARTIES CAN LIVE WITH AND/OR ABIDE BY.
13 THEREFORE I'LL READ IN THE ACTIONS THAT I HOPE THAT WE WILL
14 DISPOSE OF, THE FIRST OF WHICH IS TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING
15 AND FIND THAT THE PROJECT AS MODIFIED BY THIS MOTION IS
16 CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
17 ACT. SECOND, INDICATE THE BOARD'S INTENT TO DENY THE APPEAL
18 AND MODIFY THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF THE
19 C.U.P. TO LIMIT THE STRUCTURE TO A TWO-STORY BUILDING WITH A
20 MAXIMUM HEIGHT OF 25 FEET, MAINTAIN A MINIMUM OF 5-FOOT REAR
21 YARD SETBACK ALONG ITS ENTIRE LENGTH, AND ENSURE THAT ANY
22 WINDOWS ON THE UPPER STORY ARE DESIGNED TO MAXIMIZE THE
23 PRIVACY OF THE NEIGHBORS TO THE REAR. ADDITIONALLY, THAT WE
24 ADD A CONDITION OF APPROVAL THAT REQUIRES THE APPLICANT,
25 WITHIN 90 DAYS OF THE APPROVAL OF THE DATE OF THE C.U.P. TO



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1 DEMOLISH THE UNPERMITTED STRUCTURES ON THE PREMISES AND DIRECT
2 THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINAL FINDINGS AND
3 CONDITIONS OF THIS C.U.P. TO BRING BACK TO A FUTURE BOARD
4 MEETING FOR THIS BODY'S CONSIDERATION AND DISPOSITION. AND,
5 FINALLY, DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO BEGIN
6 AN ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDING SHOULD THERE BE ANY INDICATION IN
7 THE FUTURE THAT THE NEW RESIDENCE IS BEING USED FOR AN
8 UNAUTHORIZED USE. I WOULD SO MOVE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND THAT. ANY
11 OTHER QUESTIONS? ANYTHING ELSE THAT WE NEED TO DO, MR. COUNTY
12 COUNSEL? AND SO THE ITEM'S BEFORE US AS CHANGED AND THE NEW
13 CONDITIONS. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. THE CHAIR WILL
14 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. THANK YOU ALL FOR
15 COMING DOWN. HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 4. THIS IS THE HEARING TO GRANT A
18 NEW 10-YEAR PROPRIETARY PETROLEUM PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO UNION
19 OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA (UNOCAL), TO RENEW THE EXISTING
20 PROPRIETARY PIPELINE FRANCHISE FOR PIPELINE FACILITIES IN THE
21 WESTMONT/WEST ATHENS, WEST COMPTON/WILLOWBROOK, SOUTH SAN
22 GABRIEL/WHITTIER NARROWS, AND SOUTH WHITTIER/EAST LA MIRADA
23 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS
24 MATTER AND I BELIEVE SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS VOTING NO.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE'LL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING. AND THE
2 ITEM'S BEFORE US. I'LL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
3 YAROSLAVSKY. AND WITH SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING NO IT PASSES 4-
4 1. THANK YOU.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. ITEM NO. 5. THIS IS THE HEARING
7 ON UPDATE TO THE DEVELOPER FEE PROGRAM APPROVES THE DEVELOPER
8 FEE DETAILED FIRE STATION PLAN, THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE
9 PROTECTION DISTRICT DEVELOPER FEE FUNDS 2008-09 FISCAL YEAR-
10 END REPORT, AND THE 2009 DEVELOPER FEE UPDATE FEE CALCULATION
11 SUMMARY, FOR THE FOLLOWING TWO DEVELOPER FEE AREAS OF BENEFIT.
12 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY AND AND ANTELOPE VALLEY. THERE IS A
13 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

14

15 **LORRAINE BUCK:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LORRAINE BUCK AND I'M
16 A SUPERVISING PLANNING ANALYST FOR THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE
17 PROTECTION DISTRICT. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS TO
18 UPDATE THE DEVELOPER FEE PROGRAM. THE UPDATED DEVELOPER FEE
19 DETAILED FIRE STATION PLAN IS A DEVELOPER FEE UPDATE FEE
20 CALCULATION SUMMARY AND THE 2008-09 FISCAL YEAR-END REPORT
21 WERE PREPARED IN MY OFFICE AND UNDER MY SUPERVISION. WE ARE
22 RECOMMENDING INCREASES FOR THE UNINCORPORATED PORTIONS OF
23 AREAS OF BENEFIT 2 AND 3 TO BE EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1ST, 2010 AS
24 FOLLOWS. 99.27 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT FOR THE SANTA CLARITA
25 VALLEY AREA OF BENEFIT AND 87.55 CENTS PER SQUARE FOOT FOR THE



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1 ANTELOPE VALLEY AREA OF BENEFIT. THE DIFFERENCES IN THE FEE
2 AMOUNTS FOR THESE AREAS ARE PRIMARILY DUE TO DIFFERING LAND
3 COSTS AND FINANCING COSTS INCURRED BY THE DISTRICT FOR THE
4 DEVELOPMENT OF THE PLANNED FIRE STATIONS IN THE SANTA CLARITA
5 VALLEY. THE DEVELOPER FEES WILL CONTINUE TO BE USED TO FUND
6 THE ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION, IMPROVEMENT AND EQUIPPING OF
7 FIRE STATIONS FACILITIES IN THE AREAS OF BENEFIT. THERE
8 CONTINUES TO BE A REASONABLE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE USE OF
9 THE DEVELOPER FEE AND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS UPON
10 WHICH THE FEE IS IMPOSED. THERE IS A REASONABLE RELATIONSHIP
11 BETWEEN THE NEED FOR THE FACILITIES TO BE FINANCED BY THE
12 DEVELOPER FEE AND THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS UPON WHICH
13 THE DEVELOPER FEE IS IMPOSED. THERE IS ALSO A REASONABLE
14 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE AMOUNT OF THE DEVELOPER FEE AND THE
15 COSTS OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING THE NECESSARY
16 FIRE PROTECTION FACILITIES. WE ARE AWARE OF NO PROTESTS TO THE
17 RECOMMENDED ACTIONS.

18
19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. ANYTHING ELSE FROM
20 COUNTY COUNSEL? WE DO HAVE ONE SPEAKER, LYNNE PLAMBECK.

21
22 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** HELLO, I'M HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF SAN CLARITA
23 ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT SCOPE. FIRST, WE
24 SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT FEES. THAT'S WONDERFUL. AND WE ARE
25 ALSO GRATEFUL THAT YOU'VE LOCATED SO MANY FIRE STATIONS OUT



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1 THERE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DEVELOPMENT MONITORING SYSTEM,
2 WHICH REQUIRES THAT WE HAVE FIRE STATIONS FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT.
3 BUT MY BOARD ASKED ME TO COME DOWN AND ASK THE COUNTY HOW THE
4 APPRAISALS ARE DETERMINED FOR THE COSTS OF THE FIRE STATIONS?
5 BECAUSE IT SEEMS THAT THE PROPERTIES ARE VALUED VERY HIGH. FOR
6 INSTANCE, THE STATION THAT'S NEXT TO GOLDEN VALLEY ROAD, THAT
7 WHOLE PROJECT SOLD THE LAND FOR THAT PROJECT FOR GOLDEN VALLEY
8 RANCH SOLD FOR 2 MILLION. AND THE COST OF THE LITTLE PLOT OF
9 LAND IS ABOUT THE SAME, WHICH IS LIKE A QUARTER OF AN ACRE
10 INSTEAD OF 5 ACRES. AND WE WERE WONDERING IF WE COULD HAVE
11 COPIES OF THE APPRAISALS AND HOW THOSE APPRAISALS WERE ARRIVED
12 AT AND WHETHER THE PROPERTY WAS APPRAISED BEFORE THE
13 DEVELOPMENT WAS APPROVED OR AFTER THE DEVELOPMENT WAS
14 APPROVED, JUST EXACTLY WHO'S DOING THOSE? WHO'S WATCHING OVER
15 TO MAKE SURE THAT -- I'M SURE YOU HAVE REGULATIONS ABOUT HOW
16 PROPERTIES APPRAISE. BUT WE WERE CONCERNED THAT IT SEEMED LIKE
17 THE PROPERTIES WERE SELLING FOR VERY HIGH COST. AND WE DIDN'T
18 UNDERSTAND THAT. THE COUNTY NEEDS LOTS OF MONEY. WE DON'T NEED
19 TO OVERPAY FOR PROPERTY. ALSO WE JUST WANT TO BRING TO YOUR
20 ATTENTION ONCE MORE THAT WHEN YOU HAVE A DEVELOPMENT LIKE
21 LYONS RANCH WHERE YOU HAVE A COUPLE HUNDRED UNITS AND YOU HAVE
22 TO PUT A FIRE STATION THERE THEN YOU HAVE TO BUY THE LAND, AT
23 \$9 MILLION DOLLARS OR WHATEVER IT WAS, IT SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF
24 MONEY. AND THAT'S NOT JUST OF COURSE THE COST OF THE FIRE
25 STATION, IT'S THE COST OF HAVING THE FIRE PERSONNEL THERE, THE



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1 DANGER THAT THEY'RE PUT IN WHEN WE BUILD IN WILDFIRE AREAS,
2 AND THE COST OF THEIR PENSIONS. SO WE JUST WANTED TO BRING
3 THAT UP AGAIN. WE'RE SURE THAT THERE IS GOOD OVERSIGHT IN THE
4 COUNTY, BUT WE WONDERED HOW IT WAS DONE AND WE WANTED -- THIS
5 IS A VERBAL PUBLIC RECORDS ACT REQUEST FOR THE APPRAISALS FOR
6 THE LISTED FIRE STATIONS IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. THANK
7 YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. TURN YOUR MIC ON, PLEASE. SHE
10 CAN'T HEAR YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO YOU HAVE THAT INFORMATION?

13

14 **LORRAINE BUCK:** YES, WE DO. WE HAVE COPIES OF ALL THE
15 APPRAISALS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CAN YOU SHARE THAT INFORMATION WITH HER?

18

19 **LORRAINE BUCK:** YES, WE CAN.

20

21 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** AND WE DO APPRECIATE THE FIRE STATIONS. WE'RE
22 NOT HERE COMPLAINING ABOUT THE FIRE STATIONS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, PAM. I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THE CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS IS THE HEARING TO
5 ADJUST WATER RATES ANNUALLY OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD TO PASS
6 THROUGH COST INCREASES DUE TO INFLATION AND/OR THE COST OF
7 PURCHASING WATER FROM THE WHOLESALE WATER AGENCY FOR THE LOS
8 ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT AND MARINA DEL REY WATER
9 SYSTEM WATER WORKS DISTRICT. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT
10 ON THIS MATTER ALSO SUPERVISOR KNABE VOTES NO ON THIS ITEM.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I'M GOING TO ADDRESS SOME ISSUES.
13 MY MAIN CONCERN, THE REASON FOR VOTING NO IS THAT I JUST
14 CANNOT -- AND I WOULD ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO SORT OF LOOK INTO
15 THIS ISSUE. I JUST CAN'T BUY INTO ANY FEE OR RATE ON AN
16 AUTOPILOT FOR FIVE YEARS. THAT'S BASICALLY WHAT WE'RE DOING
17 HERE. NEVER TO BE SEEN BY THIS BOARD AGAIN UNTIL FIVE YEARS
18 FROM NOW. YOU KNOW, THEY'VE INDICATED, WELL, THEY'D GIVE US
19 PLENTY OF TIME. IN OTHER WORDS, WE HAVE TO SEARCH OUT ANY
20 POTENTIAL INCREASES. AND I DON'T THINK IT'S RIGHT TO THE
21 RESIDENTS TO GIVE A FIVE-YEAR AUTOMATIC INCREASE. NOT THAT THE
22 INCREASES MAY NOT BE JUSTIFIED, BUT I THINK ON AN ANNUAL
23 BASIS, ON AN ANNUAL BASIS THAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO LOOK AT
24 THESE INCREASES AND NOT GIVE THE DEPARTMENT FIVE YEARS
25 AUTOPILOT. NO RESTRICTIONS OF, REALLY, ANY KIND OTHER THAN,



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1 YOU KNOW, ALWAYS HAVE THEIR INCLUSIVE PROCESSES. SO I REALLY -
2 - AT LEAST FROM THE MARINA DEL REY PIECE -- FEEL IT'S VERY
3 IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE AN ANNUAL LOOK AT THIS. AND I'M IN THE
4 NECESSARILY ASKING FOR A NO VOTE. I'M ASKING MORE THAT WE
5 REVAMP THIS AND ASK THAT IT COME BACK ON AN ANNUAL BASIS,
6 THESE WATER RATE INCREASES, FOR THIS BOARD TO REVIEW. I WOULD
7 MAKE THAT SUBSTITUTE MOTION IF THERE WAS A SECOND.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SECOND.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TO THAT. OKAY? ALL RIGHT. YES?

12

13 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IF
14 YOU ADOPT THE PROPOSAL, IT WOULD PROVIDE THAT THE PROTEST
15 HEARING REGARDING MECHANISM WOULD OCCUR TODAY. AND THEN STATE
16 LAW, NEW PROVISION OF STATE LAW AUTHORIZES WHAT THE DEPARTMENT
17 IS REQUESTING AND REQUIRES THAT 30-DAY NOTICE BE GIVEN TO THE
18 AFFECTED RATE PAYERS IN ADVANCE OF ANY ACTUAL ADJUSTMENT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I'M WELL AWARE OF THAT. THAT'S A LOT OF
21 WORK. WHAT I'M SAYING IS COME BACK. I MEAN, WE KNOW WHAT THE
22 STATE LAW AUTHORIZES. THAT DOESN'T MEAN THAT WE HAVE TO AGREE
23 WITH IT.

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1 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** THAT'S CORRECT. IT'S WITHIN YOUR
2 DISCRETION TO APPROVE OR NOT APPROVE THIS.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO THE MOTION BEFORE US IS TO HAVE THESE
5 RATE INCREASES COME BACK ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. I MOVED IT.
6 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. YES?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK MARK? MR. PASTRELLO, WHAT IS THE
9 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE PROCESS BEING PROPOSED IN THE STAFF
10 REPORT AND THE CURRENT -- I'M NOT CLEAR ON THIS -- ON THE
11 CURRENT METHODOLOGY OF DOING RATE INCREASES?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** CURRENTLY, SUPERVISOR, THE WATERWORKS DISTRICTS WILL
14 HAVE TO HAVE AN ANNUAL -- HAVE THE REQUIREMENT UNDER PROP 218
15 TO HAVE AN ANNUAL PROTEST HEARING FOR ANY RATE INCREASES FOR
16 THE WATERWORKS DISTRICTS. WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED TODAY, UNDER
17 A.B.3030 IS THAT SPECIFIC RATE INCREASES FOR OPERATING COSTS
18 DUE TO INFLATION AND PASS THROUGH COSTS DUE TO INCREASED
19 IMPORTED WATER RATES BE ALLOWED TO TO HAVE ONE PROTEST HEARING
20 TODAY AND ALLOW US TO GO FOR A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD WHERE AS RICK
21 INFORMED YOU WE WOULD BE GIVING 30-DAY NOTICES TO RATE PAYERS
22 ABOUT THOSE RATE INCREASES. THE DEPARTMENT'S VERY HAPPY TO
23 COME BACK TO THE BOARD WITH BRIEFINGS AND ALSO HEARINGS, IF
24 THAT'S WHAT'S NEEDED, TO DISCUSS ANY NEW RATE INCREASES OVER
25 THIS PERIOD.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE PROPOSING THE 30-DAY NOTICE WOULD BE
3 -- IT'S NOT A PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE.

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5 **SPEAKER:** NO. IT WOULD BE A MAIL-OUT NOTICE AS WE'RE CURRENTLY
6 DOING.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND IT TELLS THEM THAT THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS WOULD CONSIDER IT ON A SPECIFIC DATE?

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11 **SPEAKER:** WE WOULD BE COMING WITH A SPECIFIC DATE WHERE WE
12 WOULD BE MAILING OUT THOSE NOTICES.

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S NOT MY QUESTION. IN THE NOTICE TO THE
15 PUBLIC, TO THE RATE PAYERS, WILL THEY BE NOTIFIED OF THE TIME
16 WHEN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS GOING TO CONSIDER THAT RATE
17 INCREASE?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** NOT UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF A.B.3030, THAT WOULD NOT
20 BE A REQUIREMENT.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO THEN WHAT'S THE PURPOSE OF NOTIFYING
23 PEOPLE 30 DAYS AHEAD OF TIME?

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1 **SPEAKER:** UNDER CURRENT LAW, WE'RE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE 30-DAY
2 NOTICE.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK MR. KNABE HAS SHOWN UNCHARACTERISTIC
5 WISDOM HERE. [LAUGHTER.]

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT MAKES ME NERVOUS.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I AGREE WITH YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IT'S BEEN MOVED AND SECONDED.
12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. IT WILL BE COMING BACK ON AN
13 ANNUAL BASIS, THANK YOU.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 7, THIS IS THE HEARING ON
16 AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY CODE, TITLE 12, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,
17 TO ESTABLISH REVISED FEE AND CHARGE RATES AT THE CALABASAS
18 LANDFILL REFUSE DISPOSAL FACILITY. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT
19 STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS ITEM WHAT?

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 7.

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25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 7? OKAY. NO DEPARTMENT.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. I BELIEVE
3 THERE IS A PUBLIC SPEAKER.

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5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE IS? MR. SACHS. HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

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7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO YOU. HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO
8 ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS. HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL THE STAFF
9 MEMBERS. HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO THE WHOLE COUNTY FAMILY. HOW'S
10 THAT?

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12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **ARNOLD SACHS:** COVER EVERYBODY? GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU DIDN'T SAY HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO
17 M.T.A.

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19 **ARNOLD SACHS:** M.T.A. YOU KNOW, YOU'RE RIGHT. I APOLOGIZE FOR
20 THAT. A HAPPY, HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO THE M.T.A. GOOD THING
21 THEY DON'T NEED ANY TURKEYS FOR THEIR DINNER. THANK YOU, SIR.
22 A LANDFILL. IMAGINE THAT. AND YOU'RE GOING TO SET POLICY AT
23 THE CALABASAS LANDFILL. WILL YOU BY ANY CHANCE BE USING THE
24 SAME POLICY OR THE SAME MATH OR THE SAME, I DON'T KNOW,
25 FIGURING THAT YOU DID FOR THE SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL? AGAIN,



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1 THERE'S NEVER BEEN -- WELL, THERE HAS BEEN AN EXPLANATION. I'M
2 MORE IN FAVOR OF THE ALIEN ABDUCTION EXPLANATION, THOUGH, THAN
3 THE ONE THAT WAS GIVEN BY THE STAFF MEMBER HERE.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU HAVE TO ASK COUNSEL ON THAT. NO.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WELL, I'M JUST SAYING. IF THEY CAME UP WITH AN
8 ALIEN ABDUCTION SCENARIO, I'D AGREE WITH THAT MORE THAN I
9 AGREE WITH THE EXPLANATION REGARDING THE NUMBERS USED AT THE
10 SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL. AND, AGAIN, WHAT POLICY ARE YOU
11 GOING TO USE? ARE YOU GOING TO USE IF IT EXISTS -- IF IT
12 DOESN'T EXIST ON THE PAPERWORK EVEN THOUGH THE MATH IS WRONG,
13 WE'RE NOT GOING TO COUNT THE MONEY? YOU'RE LOSING 6,600 TONS
14 INTO SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL A WEEK. OVER THE COURSE OF THAT
15 PROJECT EXTENSION FOR THE 30 YEARS, FIVE YEARS OF FREE TRASH
16 AT ONE DAY A WEEK, FIVE YEARS OF FREE TRASH WILL NOT BE
17 COUNTED AT THE SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL. SO HOW IN THE NAME OF
18 THE METRO, M.T.A., CAN THE PUBLIC BE EXPECTED TO HAVE ANY KIND
19 OF -- BELIEVE ANY KIND OF QUALIFYING REMARKS THAT YOU'RE GOING
20 TO MAKE REGARDING THIS LANDFILL? I MEAN, IT'S JUST AMAZING
21 THAT IT'S NEVER BEEN INVESTIGATED, IT'S AMAZING THAT IT'S
22 NEVER BEEN LOOKED INTO. AND IT'S LIKE TIME MARCHES ON. YOUR
23 FIGURES, YOUR ANALYSIS, YOUR STATEMENTS, YOUR BOARD ITEM ON
24 YOUR AGENDA, DIFFERENT MATH. A THIRD GRADER LEARNING HIS
25 MULTIPLICATION TABLES WOULD TELL YOU THAT 6 TIMES 12 IS NOT



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1 66. NO BOOK, NO WAY, NO HOW. AND YET IN THE COUNTY BOARD OF
2 SUPERVISORS MAIN BUILDING 6 TIMES 12 IS 66. AND THERE'S NO
3 OUTRAGE. JUST NO OUTRAGE. SO GO AHEAD AND FILL THE LANDFILL. I
4 JUST WISH THAT ONE OF THOSE TRUCKS THAT DIDN'T EXIST WOULD
5 DUMP THE TRASH IN FRONT OF -- FIVE OF THOSE TRUCKS THAT DIDN'T
6 EXIST WOULD DUMP THAT TRASH IN FRONT OF YOUR HOUSES ON YOUR
7 MAIN STREET, AND PEOPLE WOULD SAY "IT'S NOT THERE." THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** TOTALLY UNRELATED TO CALABASAS, BUT
10 THANK YOU, MR. SACHS. NO, IT'S DIFFERENT AND YOU KNOW IT IS.
11 OKAY. THE CHAIR WILL MOVE IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
12 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. IF WE COULD GO BACK TO ITEM NO. 1.
15 MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, AFTER TABULATING THE
16 BALLOTS, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY
17 PROTEST EXIST AGAINST THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION, AND LEVYING OF
18 ASSESSMENTS FOR TERRITORIES PETITION NOS. 122 THROUGH 807,
19 100-707, 34-307, 24-307, 22-307, 101-606, 82-502, 51-300, TO
20 COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687 AND THE COUNTY
21 LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR THE UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AS A
22 RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT
23 RESOLUTIONS APPROVING THE ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF
24 ASSESSMENTS IN THE JOINT RESOLUTIONS ACCEPTING THE NEGOTIATED



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1 EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING FROM ANNEXATION OF
2 THE TERRITORY.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WITH THAT, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
5 ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
6 SO ORDERED.

7

8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARINGS. IF
9 WE COULD DO ONE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER, ON ITEM NO. 15, THE
10 INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS HOLDING THIS TO SPEAK ON IT HAS RELEASED
11 HER HOLD. IF WE COULD GET APPROVAL ON THAT.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEM NO. 15, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
14 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY THE CHAIR. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
15 ORDERED.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GREAT, THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. WE WILL BEGIN WITH
20 ADJOURNMENTS OR SPECIALS. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
23 EULALIA B. ARRIOLA SHE IS THE BELOVED MOTHER OF MY DEAR
24 FRIEND, LUPE ARRIOLA. MISS ARRIOLA AND HER FAMILY WERE WERE
25 PART OF A COMMUNITY IN SORT OF -- IT WAS ORIGINALLY



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1 UNINCORPORATED EAST L.A., EVENTUALLY BECAME MONTEBELLO, KNOWN
2 AS THE SIMONS BRICKYARD, AN AREA WHERE I GREW UP AS WELL. AND
3 AT THAT TIME IT WAS A COMPANY TOWN, AND THEY BUILT THE BRICKS
4 FOR MANY OF THE BRICK BUILDINGS AT THAT TIME. BUT THEY HAVE A
5 LOT OF LOVELY MEMORIES OF THAT NEIGHBORHOOD AND THAT
6 COMMUNITY. AND SHE WAS SOMEONE WHO WAS JUST SO RESPECTED,
7 LIVED THERE ALL OF HER LIFE, WAS MARRIED THERE AND RAISED HER
8 CHILDREN THERE. SHE WAS 90 YEARS OLD. AND WE WANT TO EXTEND
9 OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES TO LUPE, HER TWO
10 BROTHERS AS WELL AS HER SISTER. I'D ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
11 MEMORY OF MS. ARRIOLA.

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13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ORDERED. WERE YOU HOLDING ANY ITEMS?

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

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17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'D LIKE TO
20 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ALIYAH PHILLIPS, GRADUATE OF BARNARD
21 COLLEGE WHO PASSED AWAY IN LOS ANGELES LAST WEEK. MISS
22 PHILLIPS GREW UP IN PENNSYLVANIA AND IN GEORGIA BEFORE MOVING
23 TO NEW YORK FOR COLLEGE. SHE WAS EXTREMELY ACTIVE IN HIGH
24 SCHOOL STUDENT GOVERNMENT, PLAYED VARSITY SPORTS AND TRAVELED
25 AROUND THE WORLD. AT BARNARD, SHE HELD LEADERSHIP POSITIONS



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1 FOR FOUR YEARS, WORKED IN THE OFFICE OF MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS,
2 AIDED IN THE FORMATION OF THE AFRICAN DIASPORA-CENTERED
3 MAGAZINE KNOWN AS "THE PROXY," AND ADVOCATED FOR MENTAL HEALTH
4 AND HEALING. AT THE TIME OF HER PASSING, SHE WAS IN LOS
5 ANGELES TAKING COURSES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
6 CALIFORNIA. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER EXUBERANT SPIRIT,
7 HER LOVE FOR WRITING, HER PASSION FOR LOVE AND COMMUNITY AND
8 HER JOYFUL HEART. SHE LEAVES TO CHERISH HER MEMORY HER
9 PARENTS, DRS. LAYLI AND THADDEUS; BROTHER, THADDEUS IV;
10 SISTERS, ALYSSA, ABIGAIL; GRANDPARENT, MARY MARJORIE THADDEUS;
11 AND A HOST OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ADJOURN IN
12 MEMORY OF DR. STEPHEN JOSEPH UMAN, LONGTIME CEDARS- SINAI
13 PHYSICIAN WHO PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER THE SIXTH OF
14 COMPLICATIONS. AND AT ONE POINT, IT SHOULD BE DOCUMENTED THAT
15 DR. UMAN SERVED AS THE CHIEF OF STAFF THERE. BORN IN JERSEY
16 CITY, NEW JERSEY AND RAISED IN WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA. DR.
17 UMAN RECEIVED AN M.D. FROM TULANE UNIVERSITY IN 1969, AND CAME
18 TO LOS ANGELES IN 1970 AS A RESIDENT AT CEDARS OF LEBANON
19 HOSPITAL, LATER BECAME THE CHIEF RESIDENT AT MOUNT SINAI
20 MEDICAL CENTER. HE WAS ELECTED TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF
21 STAFF AT CEDARS- SINAI, SERVING FROM 1994 TO 1995. HE WAS AN
22 ACCOMPLISHED PHOTOGRAPHER AND A CAMERA COLLECTOR AND AN AVID
23 TRAVELER. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FONDLY FOR HIS COMMITMENT TO
24 HIS COWORKERS AND THE PATIENTS HE SERVED, HIS AREA OF
25 SPECIALTY BEING THAT OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE. TOP-NOTCH



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1 PHYSICIAN. INCREDIBLE BEDSIDE MANNER. AND CERTAINLY A LEADER
2 IN THE MEDICAL COMMUNITY IN OUR REGION AND BEYOND. HE LEAVES
3 TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE, GWEN, AN EXTRAORDINARY
4 HEALTHCARE ADVOCATE AND PROFESSIONAL IN THAT FIELD HERSELF;
5 HIS SON, RUSSELL; AND HIS SISTER, DENA; AND I MIGHT ADD A HOST
6 OF OTHER RELATIVES, COLLEAGUES AND A GRATEFUL COMMUNITY. THAT
7 CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS FOR TODAY. WITH YOUR
8 PERMISSION, I'LL READ IN THE ADDITIONAL MATTERS BEFORE US AT
9 THE APPROPRIATE TIME. MR. CHAIRMAN, THIS PERTAINS TO AN ACTION
10 WE TOOK SOME TIME AGO, AND WE ARE SIMPLY SEIZING THE
11 OPPORTUNITY TO REFINE IT, ESSENTIALLY PERMITTING THE AUDITOR-
12 CONTROLLER TO ACCESS THE D.C.F.S. CASE FILES. YOU MAY RECALL
13 AT THE JULY 28TH BOARD MEETING, WE INSTRUCTED THE CHIEF
14 EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO WORK WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND THE
15 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO
16 DO THREE THINGS: FIRST, GATHER THE DEMOGRAPHICS OF ALL
17 CHILDREN IN THE D.C.F.S.'S SYSTEM AND THEIR FATALITIES,
18 HOMICIDE OR ACCIDENTAL FOR THE PAST THREE YEARS. THE SECOND
19 THING WE REQUESTED WAS THAT THEY IDENTIFY ANY UNDERLYING
20 TRENDS OR ISSUES. AND, THIRDLY, ANALYZE THOSE TRENDS AND
21 ISSUES TO DETERMINE HOW THEY MAY CONTRIBUTE TO DEFICIENCIES IN
22 EXISTING POLICIES AS THEY RELATE TO THE IDENTIFYING,
23 ASSIGNING, REPORTING AND MONITORING OF CASES. TO COMPLETE
24 THEIR INVESTIGATION, THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER REQUIRES ACCESS TO
25 SPECIFIC D.C.F.S. CASE FILES IN ORDER TO TEST THE ACCURACY OF



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1 THE DEMOGRAPHIC AND CASE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION WHICH D.C.F.S.
2 HAS COLLECTED AND ANALYZED. SUCH TESTING WILL ALLOW THE
3 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO FINALIZE ITS REPORT FOR THE BOARD TO
4 HAVE COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATION REGARDING THESE ISSUES, THESE
5 TRENDS, ISSUES AND D.C.F.S.'S POLICIES SURROUNDING CHILD
6 FATALITIES AS WELL AS INFORMATION REGARDING SPECIFIC FATALITY
7 CASES. TO DO THIS, IT IS NECESSARY TO MODIFY THE SPECIAL
8 INVESTIGATION PREVIOUSLY ORDERED BY THE BOARD. I THEREFORE
9 MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER FIRST TO
10 ACCESS ALL RELEVANT INFORMATION IN THE POSSESSION OF D.C.F.S.
11 WHICH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DEEMS TO BE NECESSARY TO COMPLETE
12 HIS INVESTIGATION INTO THE CHILD FATALITIES. RELEVANT
13 INFORMATION SHALL INCLUDE BUT IS NOT NECESSARILY LIMITED TO
14 D.C.F.S. JUVENILE CASE FILES REQUIRED TO TEST THE ACCURACY OF
15 DEMOGRAPHIC AND CASE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION COLLECTED AND
16 ANALYZED BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AS PART OF THIS
17 INVESTIGATION. SECONDLY, TO REPORT THE OUTCOME OF HIS
18 INVESTIGATION IN A CONFIDENTIAL REPORT TO THE BOARD WITHIN 90
19 DAYS OF APPROVAL OF THIS MOTION SO THAT THE MAXIMUM PROTECTION
20 OF PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY RIGHTS MAY BE MAINTAINED.
21 THIRDLY, HE WILL MAINTAIN THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ALL
22 INFORMATION PROVIDED BY D.C.F.S. TO THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND
23 NOT DISCLOSE THAT INFORMATION OTHER THAN IN THE AUDITOR-
24 CONTROLLER'S CONFIDENTIAL REPORT TO THE BOARD OR AS OTHERWISE
25 PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW. FINALLY, I WANT TO DIRECT THE



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1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
2 AND FAMILY SERVICES TO IMMEDIATELY PERMIT THE AUDITOR-
3 CONTROLLER TO RECEIVE AND REVIEW ANY RECORDS IN THE CUSTODY OF
4 D.C.F.S. RELATING TO A CHILD WHO HAS DIED AND WHO PREVIOUSLY
5 CAME TO THE ATTENTION OF OR WAS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF
6 D.C.F.S., WHICH RECORDS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER SEEKS TO REVIEW
7 IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THIS SPECIAL INVESTIGATION INTO CHILD
8 FATALITIES. WE READ THAT IN FOR DISPOSITION AT OUR NEXT
9 MEETING, MR. CHAIRMAN. CORRECT. AND, FINALLY, MAY I READ IN
10 THE RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF
11 CALIFORNIA AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES REGARDING THE MARTIN
12 LUTHER KING MEDICAL CENTER. IT IS TO BE ON OUR AGENDA FOR NEXT
13 WEEK, AS I UNDERSTAND. THIS MOTION ESSENTIALLY BRINGS THAT TO
14 THE FORE WITH THE APPROPRIATE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THOSE WHO HAVE
15 CONTRIBUTED TO WHERE WE ARE AT THIS POINT. WE WISH TO MOVE
16 THAT WE RATIFY THE AGREEMENT ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS
17 AT THEIR NOVEMBER 19 MEETING, FIRST. AND SECONDLY, DIRECT THE
18 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON
19 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THAT AGREEMENT. THAT
20 ESSENTIALLY IS THE MOTION THAT COMES BEFORE US. AND I WOULD
21 APPROPRIATELY MOVE IT.

22
23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE ACTING ON IT TODAY? COME BACK NEXT
24 WEEK?



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES.

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3 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO ORDERED. THAT'S IT?

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I HAVE ONE
10 ADJOURNING MOTION, AND IT'S SAD TO REPORT THAT ON SUNDAY
11 MORNING, HARRY VICKMAN A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF STUDIO CITY,
12 PASSED AWAY AT THE AT THE AGE OF 92. HARRY WAS BORN AND RAISED
13 IN LOS ANGELES, MOVED TO SAN FERNANDO VALLEY IN 1945. HE OWNED
14 AND OPERATED VICKMAN'S RESTAURANT AND BAKERY IN DOWNTOWN LOS
15 ANGELES AT EIGHTH AND CENTRAL FOR MANY YEARS -- IT USED TO BE
16 THE PLACE I ATE LUNCH ALMOST EVERY DAY -- A BUSINESS
17 ORIGINALLY STARTED BY HIS FATHER IN 1919. IN ADDITION TO
18 OPERATING THE RESTAURANT, HE WAS AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER SERVING
19 ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SKID ROW DEVELOPMENT
20 CORPORATION FROM 1980 TO 1988. HE WAS ALSO A GUARDIAN AD LITEM
21 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURT SYSTEM FROM 1986 TO '91,
22 SERVING AS AN ADVOCATE FOR CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM
23 THEIR PARENTS AND PLACED IN THE COUNTY'S DEPENDENCY SYSTEM. HE
24 ALSO SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR ORGANIZATION FOR
25 NEEDS OF THE ELDERLY, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ONE GENERATION, FOR



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1 10 YEARS PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE SENIOR POPULATION OF THE
2 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. IN 1994, ESTABLISHED THE ENCINO FARMER'S
3 MARKET AS A WAY FOR SENIORS TO INTERACT WITH THE COMMUNITY AND
4 AS AN INNOVATIVE WAY TO RAISE ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR ONE
5 GENERATION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 69 YEARS, BARBARA; A
6 SON, LARRY; TWO DAUGHTERS, JANET AND NANCY; FOUR GRANDCHILDREN
7 AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND MANY FRIENDS. I DON'T KNOW HOW
8 MANY OF YOU EVER ATE AT VICKMAN'S, BUT HIS STRAWBERRY PIES
9 WERE LEGENDARY. AT THIS TIME OF YEAR HIS PUMPKIN PIES WERE
10 LEGENDARY. ALL MEMBERS. NOT A PROBLEM. IT'S A REAL SAD, SAD
11 LOSS FOR OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU, THAT'S ALL I HAVE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GREAT LADY AND A
14 LONGTIME FRIEND AND ICON IN THE SOUTHEAST AREA AND THAT'S
15 VIRGINIA BOGS, A LONGTIME BELLFLOWER RESIDENT AND AN ADVOCATE.
16 SHE PASSED AWAY NOVEMBER 19. SHE MOVED TO BELLFLOWER IN THE
17 1950S FROM MIAMI AND MET HER HUSBAND, R.D. BOGS, A LOCAL REAL
18 ESTATE BUSINESS OWNER IN 1956. BOGS REALTY WAS THEIR FAMILY
19 BUSINESS AND IN 2006, THE BUSINESS CELEBRATED ITS 70TH
20 ANNIVERSARY. SHE WORKED FIVE DAYS A WEEK UP UNTIL JUST A
21 COUPLE OF WEEKS BEFORE HER PASSING. SHE WAS A VERY STRONG
22 ADVOCATE, NOT ONLY FOR THE CITY BUT FOR THE REGION. SHE WAS
23 VERY INVOLVED IN MANY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND SENIOR
24 PROJECTS, WHICH INCLUDED SHE BUILT ONE OF THE FIRST AFFORDABLE
25 SENIOR HOUSING COMPLEXES IN THE AREA. SHE WAS THE FIRST WOMAN



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1 EVER APPOINTED TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY TAX APPEALS BOARD AND
2 WAS A LONGTIME FRIEND OF JULIE AND I. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY
3 HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN,
4 CHERYL, CAROL, EARL AND FERN, GEORGE; AND NINE GRANDCHILDREN
5 AND FIVE GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. GREAT LADY. WILL BE MISSED. ALSO
6 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF VIRGINIA ROSE LATINO, WHO PASSED AWAY
7 NOVEMBER 17TH. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS.
8 SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER FOUR CHILDREN, FRANK, JANICE, BARBARA
9 AND JOHN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CAROLYN BROWNELL, A
10 LIFELONG RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF SAN
11 PEDRO HIGH SCHOOL. SHE WENT ON TO BECOME A DEVOTED EMPLOYEE OF
12 THE SAN PEDRO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR 30 YEARS. AND SHE WAS
13 JUST A SWEET LADY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, BRIAN AND
14 MARK, AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
15 JANET DEATS WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. AND SHE WAS THE GRAND
16 MARSHAL, WITH HER HUSBAND JOHN, AT THE 2006 LOS
17 CERRITOS/VIRGINIA COUNTRY CLUB NEIGHBORHOOD PARADE. SHE WILL
18 BE MISSED BY HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
19 HUSBAND OF 40 YEARS, JOHN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
20 DARLENE HARMS, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF LAKEWOOD. THEY MOVED TO
21 LOS ANGELES IN 1963 AND TO LAKEWOOD, AS WELL AT THE SAME TIME.
22 SHE SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LANE-AIRE
23 MANUFACTURING CORPORATION SINCE 1994, WAS ITS CHAIRWOMAN OF
24 THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNTIL 2007. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO
25 SONS, DONALD AND BRIAN; A DAUGHTER, WANDA; AND THREE



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1 GRANDCHILDREN. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MR. WALTER GRAHAM,
2 A LONGTIME MEMBER OF THE SANTA MONICA WIND- JAMMERS YACHT
3 CLUB. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS NEPHEW, CLAY. HE WILL BE DEARLY
4 MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS. WHAT DO WE HAVE LEFT HERE ON
5 THE AGENDA? ALL RIGHT. CALL UP ITEM 16. MR. SACHS? WHILE
6 YOU'RE UP HERE, YOU CAN ADDRESS 25-A. AND THEN STAY UP HERE
7 AND I'M GOING TO CALL DR. CLAVREUL ON 22 AND 23. SO IF YOU'LL
8 ADDRESS 16 AND 25-A, PLEASE.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD MORNING AGAIN, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. ON
11 16, THE ELECTION RESULTS? I'M JUST -- IN A RELATED MATTER, I
12 WAS WONDERING IF THE COUNTY REGISTRAR'S OFFICE HAS LOOKED INTO
13 ANY KIND OF PLAN OR ANY KIND OF PROGRAM TO HELP CONSERVE SOME
14 COSTS BY RECYCLING THE ELECTION MATERIAL THEY GIVE OUT TO THE
15 OFFICIALS OR TO THE POLL WORKERS THAT WORK THE POLLS AT THE
16 COUNTY? I'VE WORKED THIS PAST ELECTION, THE PREVIOUS ELECTION
17 AND TWO OTHER ELECTIONS AND THE SAME MATERIALS IS HANDED OUT
18 FOR ALL THE TRAINING. BUT I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH OF IT COMES
19 BACK TO THE COUNTY AND CAN BE REUSED. SO I WAS WONDERING IF
20 THERE'S ANY POSSIBLE WAY THAT THE COUNTY REGISTRAR'S OFFICE
21 COULD LOOK INTO --

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE CAN LOOK AT IT. I THINK ON THERE IT
24 SAYS "PRINTED ON RECYCLED PAPER" BUT WE'LL DOUBLE-CHECK IT.
25 THAT'S A GOOD IDEA. IT'S A GOOD IDEA.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 25-A.

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6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** WAIT I HAVE TO TAKE A BREATH HERE. GOOD IDEA.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DON'T GET CHOKED UP.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** 25-A. I APPRECIATE THE COUNTY BOARD OF
11 SUPERVISORS REQUESTING THE HEALTHY ISSUES HERE. BUT I'M JUST -
12 - YOUR ITEM NO. 2, "PREPARE A STUDY THAT IDENTIFIES HEALTHY
13 DESIGN FEATURES, INCLUDING BICYCLE AMENITIES AND ENCOURAGES
14 THE INCLUSION OF BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
15 IN ORDER TO PROMOTE WALKING AND OTHER OUTDOOR PHYSICAL
16 ACTIVITIES." I'M LOOKING AT, AGAIN, AS A BICYCLE ADVOCATE,
17 ALTHOUGH I DON'T RIDE. THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT'S ALLOCATED BY
18 THE M.T.A., THE AMOUNT OF MONEY ALLOCATED BY THE L.A.D.O.T.,
19 THE PROCESS THAT DOESN'T GIVE BICYCLE RIDERS AN OPPORTUNITY,
20 THERE'S ONLY TWO BIKE RACKS, TWO SPOTS ON A BUS TO HANDLE
21 BIKES, IF YOU WANT TO IMPROVE THE BIKE RIDING SITUATION, DON'T
22 MAKE THE STATEMENT UNLESS YOU'RE WILLING TO IMPROVE THE
23 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HELPS PEOPLE WHO RIDE BIKES GET AROUND THE
24 COUNTY. THANK YOU. AND THAT WOULD INCLUDE BIKE LANES ON MAJOR
25 STREETS.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** REALLY WHAT IT'S INTENDED TO DO, TO DEAL
3 WITH THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND HOW WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO TIE IT IN
4 AND IMPROVE IT. THANK YOU.

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON ITEM 16 AND 25-A, THE CHAIR WILL MOVE
9 IT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
10 ORDERED. STAY UP HERE, I'M GOING TO CALL UP ITEM 22 AND 23.
11 MR. SACHS AND DR. CLAVREUL. PARDON ME? (OFF MIC COMMENTS).

12

13 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 22, THE IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES, TO
14 LOOK INTO THE FRAUD. WELL, THAT'S KIND OF LIKE THE POT CALLING
15 THE KETTLE BLACK. I DISCUSSED THE FRAUD THAT I BELIEVE OCCURS
16 WITH THE SUNSHINE CANYON LANDFILL. AND IT WAS AN UNRELATED
17 ITEM. BUT IT WAS FRAUD. AND THERE'S A SITUATION THAT OCCURRED
18 WITH THE RECENT PERSONNEL FIRING WITH THE NEPOTISM THAT OCCURS
19 WITHIN THE COUNTY FAMILY. AND THAT WASN'T REALLY ADDRESSED
20 UNTIL THE L.A. TIMES MAINTAINED THE PRESSURE TO GET THE NAME
21 OF THE PERSON OR THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE --

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ADDRESS THE ISSUE BEFORE US INSTEAD OF
24 TRYING TO -- YOU'RE DOING AN A PLUS B THING HERE. JUST ADDRESS
25 ITEM 22 AND ITEM 23.



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ITEM 22, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE CALL FOR THE
3 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO LOOK INTO FRAUD WHEN IT'S LIKE
4 THE TIP OF THE ICEBERG.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS A CALL FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY
7 TO BE INVOLVED.

8

9 **ARNOLD SACHS:** DISTRICT ATTORNEY, WHICHEVER. BUT THERE ARE SO
10 MANY OTHER SITUATIONS WHERE IT'S SO BLATANT AND IT'S NOT
11 LOOKED INTO. AND AGAIN THIS IS LIKE -- JUST A CHIP OFF THE
12 BLOCK.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL THE ITEM BEFORE US IS SPECIFIC.
15 YOU'RE TRYING TO STRETCH IT OUT HERE. BUT IT IS SPECIFIC ON
16 I.H.H.S. ISSUES, OKAY?

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, YOU'RE RIGHT. I AM TRYING TO STRETCH IT OUT
19 BECAUSE I'M TRYING TO LET PEOPLE SEE THAT WHILE SO MUCH ELSE
20 IS GOING ON, YOU'RE PICKING A SPECIFIC THING AND IT SHOULD ALL
21 BE LOOKED INTO. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DR. CLAVREUL?

24



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1 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ON ITEM 22, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.
2 PERSONALLY I AM VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF REALLY LOOKING AT WHAT'S
3 GOING ON HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES. I THINK THAT'S A PLACE
4 WHERE IS NOT A DAY WILL GO BY THAT WE SEE SOME PEOPLE WHO HAVE
5 BEEN MISTREATED BY THE CAREGIVER. AND AS WELL I'M VERY MUCH
6 ALSO IN FAVOR OF SOMETIMES YOU SAID WE MAYBE PAY A LITTLE
7 BETTER AND TRAIN BETTER THERE WILL BE NOT SO MUCH FRAUD AND
8 ABUSE. THE ONLY QUESTION I HAVE IS THE TIME FRAME IN THAT
9 MOTION, FROM YOU AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IS THAT THE PLAN
10 MUST BE APPROVED BY THE BOARD AND SUBMITTED TO THE STATE BY
11 NOVEMBER 1. WAS IT SUBMITTED BY NOVEMBER 1? HERE, AS I SAID,
12 YOU KNOW, IT WILL REQUIRE THAT THE COUNTY PLAN FOR EACH COUNTY
13 WISHING TO ACCESS THE FUNDING. THE PLAN MUST BE APPROVED BY
14 THE BOARD AND SUBMITTED TO THE STATE BY NOVEMBER 1. WAS IT
15 DONE?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO. BECAUSE THE STATE EXTENDED THE
18 DEADLINE TO DECEMBER 1.

19

20 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** TO DECEMBER 1, OKAY. OTHER THAN THAT,
21 IT WAS THE 27. I JUST WONDERED IF YOU WERE ON THE BALL, TAKING
22 CARE OF IT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALWAYS, YOU KNOW. IF NOT, YOU'LL KEEP US
25 ON.



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2 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THANK YOU. ANYWAY -- HMM? (OFF MIC
3 COMMENT). YEAH. YOU KNOW, THAT WAS I HAD PROMISED MYSELF THAT
4 FOR THANKSGIVING, I WILL BE AT LEAST WALKING A LITTLE BIT. FOR
5 NEW YEAR'S I WILL BE -- (OFF MIC COMMENT). WELL I HAVE LOST 36
6 POUNDS. YOU SHOULD BE PROUD OF ME, YOU KNOW. [APPLAUSE.] THIS
7 IS MY LAST ARTICLE. I HOPE YOU ENJOY IT. IT'S ABOUT -- HEALTH
8 CLINIC AND NURSE PRACTITIONER. THANK YOU. DO YOU WANT THE DEAL
9 WITH 23, TOO?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YES, AS LONG AS YOU'RE HERE.

12

13 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YEAH. ON ITEM 23, THERE IS NO REPORT.
14 THERE IS NO INFORMATION. SO YOU KNOW. AND YOU KNOW THAT THE
15 REPORT WAS ASKED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA FIVE MONTHS AGO. AND IT
16 HAS BEEN POSTPONED, POSTPONED, POSTPONED. AND WE STILL HAVE NO
17 DOCUMENTATION. THAT'S A SAD STORY. ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU'RE
18 TALKING ABOUT RISK MANAGEMENT, I THINK THAT'S, YOU KNOW,
19 THAT'S THE FIRST THING YOU SHOULD DO IN BUSINESS IS TO HAVE
20 YOUR RISK MANAGEMENT TOGETHER. THAT'S MY ADVICE FOR THE NEW
21 YEAR, MAKE SURE WE HAVE ONE. HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO YOU.
24 MR. FUJIOKA, DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF THAT REPORT ON ITEM 23? ALL
25 RIGHT. OKAY. BOTH AND RECEIVE AND FILE, IS THAT CORRECT?



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WITH RESPECT TO 22, I WONDER IF IT'S
3 APPROPRIATE TO THE MAKER OF THE MOTION TO HAVE A PERIODIC
4 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD ON A SIX-MONTH BASIS OR WHATEVER THE
5 MAKER OF THE MOTION DEEMS APPROPRIATE. BUT I THINK IT'S WORTH
6 OUR COLLECTIVE MONITORING.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, WHY DON'T WE DO IT ON A QUARTERLY
9 BASIS?

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT'S FINE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON A QUARTERLY BASIS, THEN, A REPORT
14 BACK ON ITEM 22?

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AS
19 AMENDED WITH A QUARTERLY REPORT BACK, THE CHAIR WILL SECOND;
20 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 23 IS RECEIVE AND FILE. OR
21 ARE WE GOING TO HAVE A REPORT? BILL, ITEM 23, DO YOU HAVE A
22 REPORT? OKAY. WE WILL HAVE THE DEPARTMENT COME OUT HERE AND
23 MAKE SURE THAT DR. CLAVREUL GETS A COPY OF THE REPORT.

24



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1 **SHEILA SHIMA:** AS WE'RE WAITING FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO COME UP,
2 IT'S SHEILA SHIMA, DEPUTY C.E.O., HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH
3 SERVICES. AND I'LL GO AHEAD AND START THE REPORT. WE DID
4 PROVIDE A COPY TO DR. CLAVREUL. ITEM 23 IS A REPORT ON THE
5 REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR A
6 REORGANIZATION WITHIN THEIR DEPARTMENT TO CREATE A RISK
7 MANAGEMENT UNIT. AND THIS WOULD BE A RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT
8 LOOKING AT NON-MEDICAL MALPRACTICE ISSUES. THE UNIT WAS
9 ACTUALLY CREATED AS PART OF A REPORT BY OUR C.E.O. RISK
10 MANAGEMENT UNIT IN REVIEWING THE OPERATIONS THERE AT THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. AND THE REQUEST ITSELF FROM THE
12 DEPARTMENT WAS PRESENTED TO US AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS,
13 THE COUNTY BUDGET PROCESS. AS PART OF OUR REVIEW, WE DID
14 RECOMMEND THE REORGANIZATION TO CREATE THE UNIT. AND WE, AS
15 PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS, HAD ORIGINALLY APPROVED ADDING
16 BUDGETED POSITIONS TO ENHANCE THE STRUCTURE OF THE DEPARTMENT.
17 BUT WITH A CONTINUANCE OF THE ITEM AS PART OF THE BUDGET, WE
18 DID DELETE THE ITEMS. THE REPORT BEFORE YOU IS ACTUALLY
19 PRESENTING THE PROPOSAL THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAD PRESENTED.
20 WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO IS WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO GO
21 AHEAD AND IMPLEMENT THIS. THE REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT WAS
22 TO USE EXISTING BUDGETED VACANT POSITIONS TO CREATE THIS UNIT,
23 SO THERE WOULD NOT BE A CHANGE TO THEIR OVERALL BUDGETED
24 POSITION COUNT OR AN IMPACT TO THE DEPARTMENT'S BUDGET. WE
25 WILL BE RETURNING TO THE BOARD WITH THE REQUESTED CHANGES AS



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1 PART OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET NEXT APRIL. BUT IN THE MEANTIME
2 WHAT WE WOULD LIKE TO DO IS WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT TO MOVE
3 FORWARD WITH IMPLEMENTATION BECAUSE WE FEEL THAT IT'S
4 IMPORTANT FOR THEM TO PUT THIS STRUCTURE IN PLACE. IF THERE
5 ARE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS OR A NEED FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
6 ON SPECIFICS OF THE STRUCTURE, WE HAVE REPRESENTATIVES FROM
7 OUR RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT, JOHN STERRITT, AND GREG POLK WHO IS
8 THE INTERIM ADMINISTRATIVE DEPUTY AT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
9 SERVICES.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I THINK IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT, AT
12 LEAST, I THOUGHT THIS WAS A RECEIVE AND FILE, YOU'RE COMING
13 BACK; BUT ARE WE TAKING AN ACTION TO ACTUALLY ALLOW YOU TO
14 IMPLEMENT?

15

16 **SHEILA SHIMA:** WE CAN ACTUALLY WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT WITHOUT
17 ADDITIONAL ACTION BY THE BOARD TO DO THAT. BECAUSE IT INCLUDES
18 EXISTING POSITIONS.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THEN WOULDN'T IT BE IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO
21 SHARE THAT ORGANIZATIONAL PIECE WITH US SO THAT WE HAVE SOME
22 SORT OF IDEA ON THE STRUCTURE OF WHAT WE'RE IMPLEMENTING?

23

24 **SHEILA SHIMA:** YES, ABSOLUTELY. AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH
25 YOUR BOARD OFFICES WITH SOME ADDITIONAL DETAIL FROM OUR AGENDA



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1 REVIEW MEETINGS. BUT WE'LL CONTINUE TO DO THAT AS WE MOVE
2 FORWARD.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

5

6 **SHEILA SHIMA:** WOULD YOU LIKE SOME ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
7 CURRENTLY ON THE --

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WOULD BE NICE.

10

11 **SHEILA SHIMA:** ABSOLUTELY.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK IT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE SOME
14 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

15

16 **JOHN STERRITT:** MR. SUPERVISOR, WHAT WE'RE PLANNING ON DOING IS
17 CREATING A RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT INVOLVING AN ENVIRONMENTAL
18 HEALTH AND SAFETY UNIT, EIGHT RESOURCES, A CLAIMS UNIT OF FIVE
19 RESOURCES AND PUTTING ADDITIONAL RESOURCES INTO RETURN TO WORK
20 EFFORT TO ADDRESS THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION AND GENERAL
21 LIABILITY NONMEDICAL MALPRACTICE EXPOSURES IN THE DEPARTMENT
22 OF HEALTH SERVICES.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. AND WHAT IS THE OVERSIGHT? WHAT'S
25 THE ACCOUNTABILITY PIECE HERE? IT'S NICE TO PUT THESE IN



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1 PLACE, BUT OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE ONGOING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES.
2 HOW DOES THE DEPARTMENT WORK WITH THE RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT?
3 HOW DOES THAT HAPPEN? WHAT'S THE INTERFACE?

4

5 **JOHN STERRITT:** WELL, WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE DEPARTMENT
6 FOR THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF ON THE STUDY AND THE
7 RECOMMENDATIONS, AND OUR PLAN IN RISK MANAGEMENT IS TO
8 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT, CONDUCT PERIODIC
9 EVALUATIONS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNIT, WORK WITH THE
10 DEPARTMENT ON THE SELECTION AND RECRUITMENT OF STAFF, AND
11 WE'VE GENERATED A NUMBER OF PERFORMANCE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES
12 THAT WE'RE GOING TO TRACK ON AN ONGOING BASIS UNTIL THE
13 PROJECT'S COMPLETELY IMPLEMENTED TO OUR SATISFACTION.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO WHAT IS THE NEXT PROCESS --
16 CHAIR?

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** WE'RE GOING TO PUT IT IN THAT PERSONAL
19 EVALUATION, EACH MANAGER IS GOING TO BE PLACED, RISK
20 MANAGEMENT WILL BE PLACED IN THE PERSONAL EVALUATION, CORRECT?

21

22 **JOHN STERRITT:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

23



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, I THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT. CHECKING
2 WITH MY STAFF, THERE HAS NOT BEEN A WRITTEN DOCUMENT. THERE
3 HAS BEEN DISCUSSION OR AT LEAST I HAVE NOT --

4

5 **SHEILA SHIMA:** SUPERVISOR, WE ACTUALLY DO HAVE A WRITTEN REPORT
6 ON THE STRUCTURE AND THE REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
7 SERVICES FOR THE ADDITIONAL POSITIONS AND THE RISK MANAGEMENT
8 STRUCTURE.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DOES IT SHOW A FLOW BETWEEN THE
11 DEPARTMENT AND THROUGH OUR RISK MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT? I'M
12 JUST TRYING TO CONNECT THE DOTS HERE. YOU KNOW, IT'S ALL WELL
13 AND GOOD THAT WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT YOU SAY THIS, BUT IF
14 THERE'S NO --

15

16 **SHEILA SHIMA:** YES, IT DOES.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S NOT JUST THE DEPARTMENT SAYING
19 THIS, WHAT'S THE CONNECTION BETWEEN THE RISK MANAGEMENT AND
20 THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT?

21

22 **JOHN STERRITT:** JOHN, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD AND
23 DESCRIBE THAT. BECAUSE OUR REPORT ITSELF DEALT SPECIFICALLY
24 WITH WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES AND SPECIFIC TO
25 THE CREATION OF THE RISK MANAGEMENT UNIT WITHIN THERE. BUT



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1 JOHN CAN PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP THAT
2 UNIT WILL HAVE WITH OUR OFFICE.

3

4 **JOHN STERRITT:** YES, SUPERVISOR. OUR CURRENT PLAN, AS AGREED
5 UPON WITH THE C.E.O., IS WE'RE GOING TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
6 ONGOING MONITORING TO THE UNIT. WE'RE GOING TO WORK WITH GREG
7 AND HIS TEAM AS FAR AS THE STAFFING AND DEVELOPING GOALS AND
8 TROUBLE-SHOOTING SOME OF THE LARGER SYSTEMATIC ISSUES THAT ARE
9 CURRENTLY WITHIN HEALTH SERVICES. AND OUR PLAN IS TO
10 COLLABORATE AND WORK WITH THE DEPARTMENT UNTIL THE UNIT IS
11 BASICALLY SELF-SUSTAINABLE AND SELF-FUNCTIONING.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WHEN WAS A REPORT ISSUED?

14

15 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THE INITIAL REPORT WAS ACTUALLY --

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO, NO. THAT'S BACK IN SEPTEMBER.

18 THERE'S BEEN NOTHING SINCE SEPTEMBER?

19

20 **SHEILA SHIMA:** CORRECT. BECAUSE THE REPORT ITSELF HAS BEEN
21 CONTINUED SINCE THAT TIME.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO HOW DO YOU ASK US TO IMPLEMENT TODAY
24 WITHOUT SOME DEGREE OF FINALITY OF WHAT WE'RE DEALING WITH?
25 HAVE THERE BEEN ANY CHANGES SINCE SEPTEMBER?



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2 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THERE HAVE NOT BEEN ANY CHANGES SINCE SEPTEMBER.
3 WHAT WE HAVE SPENT THE TIME DOING IS RESPONDING TO QUESTIONS
4 THAT HAVE COME UP AND CLARIFICATION. BUT THE PROPOSAL ITSELF
5 REMAINS THE SAME AS WE PRESENTED.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THERE HAVE NOT BEEN ANY STRUCTURAL
8 CHANGES TO THE SEPTEMBER LETTER?

9

10 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THAT IS CORRECT. THE ONE CHANGE IS, IN THE
11 SEPTEMBER REPORT, WE WERE ANTICIPATING THAT THE ITEMS WOULD BE
12 PART -- IN FACT, THEY WERE PART OF OUR SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES
13 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD. BUT BECAUSE OF THE CONTINUANCE,
14 WE DID PULL THOSE ITEMS OUT OF THE BUDGET AND WE'LL HAVE TO
15 RETURN TO YOUR BOARD AS PART OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET PROCESS
16 NEXT APRIL.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE QUESTION IS WOULD THIS ORGANIZATIONAL
21 STRUCTURE ENSURE THAT THE HOSPITAL FACILITIES' REQUIREMENTS
22 FOR SELF-GOVERNMENT IS NOT COMPROMISED? SPECIFICALLY THAT THE
23 RISK MANAGER IS GOING TO STILL BE ABLE TO REPORT TO THE
24 HOSPITAL AND THE C.E.O?

25



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1 **JOHN STERRITT:** THAT'S CORRECT, SUPERVISOR.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THERE'S NO COMPROMISING ON THAT?

4

5 **JOHN STERRITT:** NO COMPROMISE.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? OKAY. ALL RIGHT.

8 GENEVIEVE DOES HAVE A COPY OF THE REPORT, IS THAT CORRECT?

9

10 **SHEILA SHIMA:** THAT'S CORRECT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. IS THIS AN ACTION ITEM,

13 THEN?

14

15 **SHEILA SHIMA:** NO. RECEIVE AND FILE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** NO? OKAY. A LOT MORE COMFORTABLE WITH

18 THAT. WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP? WHEN ARE YOU COMING BACK TO US? I

19 MEAN I JUST SORT OF FEEL LIKE YOU GOT A LITTLE BIT HERE AND

20 YOU GOT A LITTLE BIT HERE, AND WHEN DOES IT ALL COME BACK?

21

22 **SHEILA SHIMA:** WHAT WE'LL BE DOING IS PRESENTING IT AS A

23 PACKAGE TO YOUR BOARD IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET. BECAUSE AT THIS

24 POINT, THERE WILL BE NO CHANGES TO THE BUDGETED POSITIONS

25 APPROVED BY THE BOARD.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** AND NO CHANGES TO THE STRUCTURE?

3

4 **SHEILA SHIMA:** WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IS ACTUALLY IMPLEMENT THE
5 CHANGE IN THE STRUCTURE. WE CAN --

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN COME BACK.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF THEY'RE GOING TO, I'M JUST ASKING
10 EVERYONE. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT MY COLLEAGUES ARE
11 COMFORTABLE WITH THAT. OKAY. SO WE WILL RECEIVE AND FILE.

12

13 **SHEILA SHIMA:** CORRECT. THANK YOU.

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** PLUS, WE SHOULD REPORT BACK TO YOU ON THE
16 SUCCESS OF THIS EFFORT. AND SO AT LEAST ON A QUARTERLY BASIS,
17 WE'LL GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON HOW WELL WE'RE DOING.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I APPRECIATE THAT. I ALSO, ONCE THE
20 CHANGES ARE IMPLEMENTED, I THINK IT WOULD BE NICE TO COME BACK
21 PRIOR TO -- BUDGET'S SORT OF DIFFERENT. YOU PUT IT IN A LITTLE
22 PACKAGE AND YOU PRESENT IT AS A DOLLAR THING.

23

24 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE CAN DO THAT.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OBVIOUSLY, THIS IS A TAD MORE IMPORTANT
2 THAN JUST THE DOLLAR PIECE. IF THE STRUCTURE'S IMPLEMENTED,
3 THAT IT'S CONNECTED TO RISK MANAGEMENT, SO YOU HAVE
4 ACCOUNTABILITY, YOU HAVE MEASURABLE OUTCOMES AND ALL THOSE
5 KINDS OF THINGS.

6

7 **SHEILA SHIMA:** ABSOLUTELY, WE'LL DO THAT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO MAYBE WHEN YOU GET THE CHANGES --
10 WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION?
11 SOON?

12

13 **SHEILA SHIMA:** WHAT WE'D LIKE TO DO IS MOVE FORWARD OVER THE
14 NEXT FEW MONTHS WITH THE DEPARTMENT IN PUTTING THE STRUCTURE
15 TOGETHER. AND I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT IN TERMS OF THE
16 REORGANIZATION, WHICH IS WHAT THE DEPARTMENT IS DOING, THAT IS
17 AN AUTHORITY THAT IS DELEGATED TO OUR OFFICE TO WORK WITH THE
18 DEPARTMENTS ON REORGANIZATIONS TO THEIR INTERNAL STRUCTURE.
19 THE ADDITION OF POSITIONS, THOUGH, AND THE CHANGES ARE SUBJECT
20 TO THE BUDGET PROCESS AND WE'LL BE RETURNING TO THE BOARD WITH
21 THAT. AND SO WE WILL, WE CAN PROVIDE A REPORT IN JANUARY PRIOR
22 TO --

23

24 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL IF THEY'RE SUBJECT TO BUDGET
25 APPROVAL, THEN HOW CAN YOU IMPLEMENT?



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C.E.O. FUJIOKA: WILL BE PRESENTED IN THE PROPOSED BUDGET WILL
BE A REQUEST FOR ANY ADDITIONAL RESOURCES. WHAT THEY'RE DOING
RIGHT NOW IS USING EXISTING VACANT POSITIONS TO MOVE THIS
PROGRAM FORWARD. AND SO IF WE DO, YOU KNOW, AS WE COME FORWARD
IN NEXT YEAR'S PROPOSED BUDGET, YOU'LL SEE OUR REQUESTS FOR --
WE DON'T KNOW EXACTLY WHAT IT WOULD LOOK LIKE, BUT YOU MAY SEE
REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM. BUT
GIVEN ITS CRITICALITY, WE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE BEST TO USE SOME
EXISTING POSITIONS AND MOVE IT FORWARD NOW.

11

SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN: OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. S-1? IS
THERE A REPORT ON S-1?

14

SUP. MOLINA: I'VE ALREADY READ THE REPORT, I DON'T KNOW IF WE
NEED AN ORAL REPORT. DR. CLAVREUL, DO YOU WANT TO COMMENT ON
S-1, PLEASE?

18

DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, AGAIN, DR. GENEVIEVE
CLAVREUL. YOU KNOW, I ALSO READ THE REPORT, BUT IT WAS NOT
AVAILABLE UNTIL THIS MORNING. AND, YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU KNOW HOW
MANY PEOPLE WERE INVOLVED WITH THAT REPORT, THAT'S REALLY AS
ASININE. MOST OF IT IS COMPUTERIZED. I THINK THE FIRST TWO
PAGES TOTALLY NEGATE THE REPORT, IN FACT TO EXCUSE ABOUT
EVERYTHING WAS NOT CHANGED. SO I'M NOT VERY PLEASED WITH IT.



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1 ALSO, YOU KNOW LAST WEEK I HAD REQUESTED A WRITTEN LEGAL
2 OPINION ON THE PROMOTION OF CAROL MEYER AND HOW COME THE
3 COUNTY COULD PUT THAT THEY WERE AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER
4 WHEN THE POSITION WAS ONLY OPEN TO COUNTY EMPLOYEE. SO I STILL
5 WOULD LIKE TO HAVE IT. I WILL ASK FOR IT EVERY WEEK UNTIL I
6 GET IT.

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8 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU'RE NOT ENTITLED TO A LEGAL OPINION.

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10 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES, I AM ENTITLED A WRITTEN LEGAL
11 OPINION.

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13 **SUP. MOLINA:** IS THAT TRUE?

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15 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. LAST WEEK, YOU SAID I WAS
16 ENTITLED TO IT.

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18 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO. BECAUSE I MEAN, WE, I MEAN COUNTY COUNSEL
19 WORKS FOR US TO GIVE US LEGAL OPINIONS. BUT I DON'T UNDERSTAND
20 THAT THEY PROVIDE THEM TO THE PUBLIC. I DON'T THINK SO. I JUST
21 WANT YOU TO KNOW --

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23 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I'M ALSO A JOURNALIST, I CAN REQUEST
24 AS A PRESS TO GET A COPY OF IT.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU CAN MAKE THE REQUEST.

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3 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** AND I WILL GO ALL THE WAY ON THIS ONE
4 BECAUSE I THINK IT'S TOTALLY UNBELIEVABLE THAT YOU HAVE AN
5 EMPLOYEE WHO WAS PROMOTED FROM AN INTERIM POSITION WHEN WE DO
6 NOT HAVE A HEAD OF THE D.H.S. YET. IT WAS NO REASON TO PUT HER
7 IN A PERMANENT POSITION. AND THEN YOU TELL HER THE JOB
8 DESCRIPTION JUST TO MEET HER CRITERIA. IT IS ONLY POSTED FOR
9 THREE WEEKS DURING THE HOLIDAYS LAST YEAR. AND THEN ON TOP OF
10 THE PAGE, YOU PUT "THIS POSITION IS LIMITED TO COUNTY
11 EMPLOYEES." THEN AT THE BOTTOM OF THE APPLICATION, YOU PUT,
12 "WE ARE AN EQUAL EMPLOYER". THAT'S A BIG LIE, BECAUSE IF YOU
13 ARE AN EQUAL EMPLOYER, ANYBODY CAN COMPETE FOR THAT POSITION
14 WHO HAVE THE CREDENTIALS AND NOT SPECIFICALLY CAROL MEYER ANY
15 EMPLOYEE ALONE. IT DOES NOT MAKE ANY SENSE. AND, YOU KNOW, THE
16 LEGAL COUNSEL, HAVE THE RIGHT -- AND SHOULD -- GIVE AN OPINION
17 ON THAT. AND I WILL ASK STEVE COOLEY TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT.
18 AND I WILL GO TO THE PRESS ON THIS ONE. AND HERE I'M ASKING
19 YOU AS A PRESS MEMBER TO GET A COPY OF THAT. YOU DIDN'T HAVE
20 TO PUT WE ARE ALREADY EMPLOYER, DO ONE OR THE OTHER.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. THAT'S RECEIVE AND
23 FILE. THANK YOU. YES? SURE. S-1.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ASK A QUESTION. IN THE NOVEMBER 10 REPORT,
2 THEY INDICATED SOME ACTIVITY OCCURRED ON ZERO-BASED BUDGETING,
3 BUT IT'S UNCLEAR EXACTLY WHAT IF ANYTHING WAS ACCOMPLISHED. DO
4 YOU HAVE ANY DETAILS ON THE CONSULTANTS' RECOMMENDATIONS AND
5 YOUR MODIFICATIONS OF THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS? THE WORK THAT WAS
6 BEEN DONE TO COMPLETE THAT LINE ITEM BY LINE ITEM REVIEW? AND
7 COULD YOU PROVIDE A DETAILED REPORT TO THE BOARD, INCLUDING
8 ACTIONS OR CHANGES THAT HAVE BEEN MADE AS A RESULT OF THE
9 PROJECT?

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11 **DR. JOHN SCHUNHOFF:** SUPERVISOR, WE'LL GIVE YOU THE INFORMATION
12 YOU'RE LOOKING FOR.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER THING? THEN IF NOT,
17 WE'LL RECEIVE AND FILE. THANK YOU. ITEM 25-B? IT'S HELD FOR A
18 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC. LYNNE PLAMBECK. LYNNE, DO YOU WANT TO
19 COME ON UP?

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21 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** LYNNE PLAMBECK, SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR
22 PLANNING AND THE ENVIRONMENT. AS MR. ANTONOVICH KNOWS I'M
23 SURE, WE'VE BEEN EDITORIALIZING IN OUR COLUMN IN THE LOCAL
24 NEWSPAPER, "THE SIGNAL," SEVERAL TIMES ABOUT HOW WILD FIRES
25 ARE MANAGED. WE'VE BEEN DOWN TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD SEVERAL



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1 TIMES ABOUT APPROVING PROJECTS IN WILDFIRE AREAS BECAUSE THEN
2 THEY REQUIRE CLEARANCE. AND WE'VE ALSO BEEN EXTREMELY
3 CONCERNED ABOUT THE NUMBER OF ARSON FIRES AND THE FACT THAT
4 FIRES GET STARTED IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FROM ELECTRICAL WIRES.
5 WE DON'T HAVE A NORMAL FIRE CYCLE IN THIS AREA. WE HAVE
6 WILDFIRES EVERY SINGLE YEAR. THE WILDLIFE CAN'T RECOVER. THE
7 TREES CAN'T RECOVER. THE HABITAT CAN'T RECOVER. SO WHILE THERE
8 ARE CERTAIN PARTS OF THIS MOTION THAT WE ARE EXTREMELY
9 SUPPORTIVE OF AND SO HAPPY THAT MR. ANTONOVICH IS LOOKING AT,
10 WE ALSO HAVE A LOT OF CONCERNS THAT AREN'T ADDRESSED. OUR
11 ANGELES NATIONAL FOREST IS NOT ONLY AN AREA WHERE PEOPLE LIVE,
12 IT'S AN AREA WHERE PEOPLE RECREATE, IT'S AN INCREDIBLE HABITAT
13 FOR THE CREATURES. AND THESE ARE ALSO WILDLIFE CORRIDOR AREAS.
14 AND WE'VE BEEN VERY CONCERNED AT HOW FIRES ARE SUPPRESSED OR
15 NOT SUPPRESSED. THEY HAVE BEEN BURNING OUT THE ONLY WILDLIFE
16 CORRIDOR AREA, FOR INSTANCE, BETWEEN THE SANTA SUSANA AND LOS
17 PADRES AND SAN GABRIEL MOUNTAINS. THE ANIMALS HAVE NOWHERE TO
18 GO. THEY GET BACKED UP. IN 2003, 200 DEER GOT BACKED UP
19 AGAINST A WALL AND JUST BURNED TO DEATH BECAUSE THEY HAD
20 NOWHERE TO GO. SO IT CONCERNS US WHEN YOU SAY MODIFY ALL
21 EXISTING WILDERNESS AREA LEGISLATION TO ASSURE THAT ANY AND
22 ALL SUPPRESSION EQUIPMENT AND TECHNIQUES CAN BE APPLIED AT THE
23 DISCRETION OF THE FIRE INCIDENT COMMANDER. WHILE MOST OF THOSE
24 MIGHT BE GREAT, I MEAN IF YOU'RE GOING TO LET THEM CHOP DOWN
25 AN OAK WE'VE WORKED SO HARD TO SAVE OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT,



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1 SOMEBODY OUGHT TO KNOW. AND THE WAY TO HAVE THAT HAPPEN IS
2 HAVE MORE COMMUNICATION BEFORE THE EMERGENCY HAPPENS AND MORE
3 DISCUSSION, WHICH I THINK IS PROBABLY WHERE YOU'RE GOING WITH
4 THIS MOTION. BUT WE WOULD JUST LIKE TO ENSURE THAT THE OTHER
5 RESOURCES THAT ARE REPRESENTED BY THESE HABITAT AREAS, WHICH
6 ARE WATERSHED, WATER QUALITY, CARBON FOOTPRINT REDUCTION, AND
7 THE HABITAT FOR THE ANIMALS THAT WE ALL ENJOY, AND THE HIKING
8 TRAILS, THAT THOSE ARE CONSIDERED AS WELL AS HOUSES. AND WE
9 URGE THIS COUNTY TO STOP APPROVING SPRAWL INTO HIGH FIRE
10 HAZARD AREAS. IT COSTS THE PUBLIC. IT COSTS THE TAXPAYER. IT
11 COSTS OUR COMMUNITIES. AND IT COSTS OUR QUALITY OF LIFE. SO I
12 JUST WISH YOU WOULD LOOK MORE CLOSELY AT SOME OF THE PARTS OF
13 THIS AND FORM A TASKFORCE AND THAT SOME ENVIRONMENTAL
14 ORGANIZATION -- MAYBE YOU DON'T WANT US BECAUSE WE'RE TOO
15 SCRAPPY -- BUT WHOEVER YOU WANT TO HAVE, THAT YOU HAVE SOMEONE
16 THAT TALKS A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE WILDLIFE RESOURCES, AS WELL.

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18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. ITEM 25?

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MOVE THE ITEM.

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22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE
23 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. ITEM
24 14 AND 21? ONE IS TIED TO THE OTHER. I THINK SUPERVISOR



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1 ANTONOVICH HELD THIS ITEM? IS THERE A PARTICULAR STAFF YOU'D
2 LIKE TO --

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME ASK THE C.E.O., I DON'T KNOW WHICH
5 ONE, QUESTIONS. THE FIRST QUESTION, ON PAGE 1, THERE'S AN
6 INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF STAFF ASSISTANT I POSITIONS IN
7 D.C.F.S. AND IS THIS NEW STAFF ASSISTANT POSITION FILLED
8 ALREADY? OR IS IT GOING TO BE FILLED AS A RESULT OF TODAY'S
9 ACTION IN WHICH A JOB ANNOUNCEMENT WOULD BE ADVERTISED FOR THE
10 NEW POSITION?

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12 **SPEAKER:** THAT POSITION IS CURRENTLY FILLED, SUPERVISOR.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** PARDON?

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16 **SPEAKER:** IT IS CURRENTLY FILLED.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OKAY. THERE ARE ALSO SIX NEW SENIOR SECRETARY
19 II POSITIONS. ARE THOSE ALREADY FILLED?

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21 **SPEAKER:** IN THAT CASE --

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** D.C.S.S.?

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1 **SPEAKER:** YEAH. THERE ARE FOUR OF THOSE SIX ARE CURRENTLY
2 FILLED.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BY DELETING 370 ACCOUNTANT II POSITIONS AND
5 ADDING 370 ADDITIONAL D.T.A. III POSITIONS, WHAT WOULD THE
6 COST DIFFERENCE BE BETWEEN THE ACCOUNTANT II POSITIONS AND THE
7 D.T.A. III POSITIONS THAT RESULT FROM RECLASSIFICATION OF THE
8 TWO POSITIONS?

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10 **SPEAKER:** ACTUALLY THAT WAS, IN THE LETTER WE REFERRED TO A
11 TECHNICAL CORRECTION, AND THAT'S WHAT THAT WAS REFERRING TO.
12 THE STAFFING ORDINANCE SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE READ 370 D.D.A.
13 IIIS. SO THAT WAS AN ERROR THAT WE'RE CORRECTING AND MAKING
14 RIGHT.

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** IT WAS A TYPOGRAPHICAL ERROR. THE DEPARTMENT
17 NEVER HAD 370 ACCOUNTANT II POSITIONS.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT DOES SEEM, THOUGH, THAT THE PROCESS OF
20 MAKING PERSONNEL ADJUSTMENTS IN THE HUMAN RESOURCES SYSTEM AND
21 THE CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM AS A WHOLE IS NOT AS EFFICIENT AS IT
22 OUGHT TO BE. AND COULD WE ALSO INCLUDE THAT THE ECONOMY AND
23 EFFICIENCY COMMISSION WORK WITH THE STAKEHOLDERS IN REVIEW OF
24 THESE CURRENT CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEMS AND HUMAN RESOURCES
25 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES AND RECOMMEND WAYS TO THE BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS, LET'S SAY 90 DAYS, REPORT BACK, MR. CHAIRMAN? SO
2 I'LL MOVE THE ITEM.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANYONE ELSE WITH ANY OTHER QUESTIONS ON
5 IT? IF NOT, THEN CAN WE DO 14 AND 21 TOGETHER? OKAY. MOVED BY
6 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AS AMENDED. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
7 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM 12? AND
8 ITEM 12, WE HAVE SEVERAL SPEAKERS. I CALL UP DENISE NG, SARA
9 SADHWANI, CARL BERGQUIST, AND THOSE ARE THE FIRST THREE. WHEN
10 YOU'RE FINISHED WITH YOUR TESTIMONY, IF YOU'D RETURN TO YOUR
11 SEATS, THEN I'LL CALL THREE MORE. THANK YOU.

12

13 **DENISE NG:** I'M DENISE NG, I'M WITH S.E.I.U. U.S.W.W., AND I'M
14 HERE TODAY IN OPPOSITION OF THE COUNTY'S FURTHER STUDY OF THE
15 USE OF E-VERIFY. AND WE OPPOSE IT BECAUSE IT HURTS BOTH
16 BUSINESSES AND WORKERS. EMPLOYERS ARE AFRAID TO SPEAK OUT IN
17 OPPOSITION BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO BECOME A TARGET. WHAT
18 HAPPENS WHEN AN EMPLOYER RECEIVES A NO-MATCH LETTER IS THEY
19 WILL TERMINATE THE EMPLOYEE RATHER THAN GIVING THEM THE 30
20 DAYS TO RECTIFY THE ISSUE. AND WE SUPPORT COMPREHENSIVE
21 IMMIGRATION REFORM. WE FEEL THAT'S THE SOLUTION RATHER THAN E-
22 VERIFY. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU.

23

24 **SARA SADHWANI:** HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SARA SADHWANI, I'M
25 A PROJECT DIRECTOR AT THE ASIAN-PACIFIC AMERICAN LEGAL CENTER



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1 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AND I'M HERE TO EXPRESS OUR OPPOSITION
2 TO THE USE AND MANDATE OF THE E-VERIFY PROGRAM. OUR OPPOSITION
3 STEMS FROM THE UNACCEPTABLY HIGH ERROR RATES THE PROGRAM
4 PRODUCES AND THE DISPROPORTIONATE IMPACT THE ERROR RATES HAVE
5 ON LEGAL PERMANENT RESIDENTS AND NATURALIZED CITIZENS. LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY, AS YOU ALL KNOW, HAS ONE OF THE NATION'S
7 LARGEST ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER POPULATIONS, WHERE
8 ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY IS FOREIGN-BORN. A
9 STUDY COMMISSIONED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
10 FOUND THAT WHILE THE E-VERIFY MAINTAINS A 10 PERCENT ERROR
11 RATE, LAWFULLY PRESENT, FOREIGN BORN WORKERS ARE 30 TIMES MORE
12 LIKELY THAN NATIVE BORN U.S. CITIZENS TO BE INCORRECTLY
13 IDENTIFIED AS NOT AUTHORIZED FOR EMPLOYMENT. AT THE LEGAL
14 CENTER, WE'VE ALREADY BEGUN TO SEE THE IMPACT OF THE PROGRAM
15 FROM COMPANIES USING THE SYSTEM VOLUNTARILY. THIS SUMMER, WE
16 SAW A TONGAN WOMAN FROM GARDENA. SHE'S A SINGLE MOM AND IN
17 1993, SHE BECAME A NATURALIZED CITIZEN. HER EMPLOYER WHERE SHE
18 WORKED AS A DISPATCHER VERIFIED THEIR WORKERS WHEN THEY BEGAN
19 USING THE E-VERIFY PROGRAM. THOUGH HER NATURALIZATION WAS
20 PROCESSED WITH THE THEN IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION
21 SERVICES, I.N.S., IN 1993, HER RECORDS WERE NEVER UPDATED WITH
22 THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION. SHE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM
23 HER EMPLOYER ASKING EMPLOYEES TO VERIFY THEIR SOCIAL SECURITY
24 NUMBERS. AFTER GETTING THE LETTER, SHE IMMEDIATELY WENT TO THE
25 SOCIAL SECURITY OFFICE AND RECEIVED WRITTEN VERIFICATION THAT



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1 HER SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER MATCHED HER IDENTITY. DESPITE THIS
2 VERIFICATION, THE EMPLOYER SAID THAT THERE WAS STILL A
3 MISMATCH AND TERMINATED HER EMPLOYMENT. BY WORKING WITH THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE'S OFFICE FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL, WE WERE
5 ABLE TO INTERVENE AND ABOUT TWO MONTHS LATER OUR CLIENT WAS
6 REINSTATED IN HER JOB. THE EXPERIENCE WAS HORRIFYING FOR OUR
7 CLIENT AND REQUIRED ATTORNEY AND BUREAUCRATIC INTERVENTION,
8 AND WE ANTICIPATE ANY EXPANSION OF THIS SYSTEM WILL LEAD TO
9 MORE CASES LIKE HERS. WE OPPOSE ANY MANDATE TO THIS VOLUNTARY
10 AND DEEPLY FLAWED PROGRAM. WHILE ADDITIONAL COUNTY-LEVEL
11 RESEARCH MAY SOUND INTRIGUING, WE FEEL IT IS A FUTILE PROCESS
12 BECAUSE NUMEROUS NATIONAL REPORTS BY NONPARTISAN AGENCIES,
13 SUCH AS THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE, THE SOCIAL
14 SECURITY ADMINISTRATION'S OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL AND
15 THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY HAVE CLEARLY POINTED TO
16 THE FLAWS OF THIS SYSTEM. IN A TIME OF GREAT ECONOMIC TURMOIL,
17 COUNTY-LEVEL RESEARCH OF A NATIONALLY FAULTY PROGRAM IS A
18 WASTE OF VALUABLE TAXPAYERS' DOLLARS THAT COULD BE PUT TO MUCH
19 MORE EFFECTIVE USE. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BEFORE YOU START THERE, CARL, I
22 WOULD ASK VAL JACOBO, NANCY RAMIREZ AND VIVEK MITTAL TO JOIN
23 US, PLEASE? CARL?



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1 **CARL BERGQUIST:** THANK YOU. AND I WANT TO WISH THE BOARD A
2 HAPPY THANKSGIVING COMING UP. MY NAME IS CARL BERGQUIST AND I
3 REPRESENT THE COALITION FOR HUMANE AND HUMAN RIGHTS OF LOS
4 ANGELES, AND I'M A POLICY ADVOCATE. I WANT TO REITERATE WHAT
5 MY COLLEAGUES HAVE BEEN SAYING, THAT AS WE KNOW, THIS IS A
6 VOLUNTARY PROGRAM AND IT SHOULD REMAIN SO UNTIL A MUCH
7 IMPROVED VERSION OF E-VERIFY OR MORE LIKELY SOMETHING ELSE
8 WILL REPLACE THE CURRENT I-9 PROCESS, WHICH IS NOT FLAWED,
9 WHICH IS WORKING CURRENTLY. AND THAT REPLACEMENT WILL COME AS
10 PART OF A COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM. I WOULD SAY THAT
11 WITH CONGRESS NOT READY TO MANDATE THIS, WITH THE
12 ADMINISTRATION NOT PUSHING FOR THIS TO BE MANDATED, WHY SHOULD
13 L.A. COUNTY, WITH ITS UNIQUE DEMOGRAPHICS, BE THE GUINEA PIG
14 FOR THIS PROGRAM? IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. THE DEVIL LIES IN THE
15 DETAILS ON THE ERROR RATES. THE REPORT PROVIDED BY THE
16 C.E.O.'S OFFICE REFERS TO SOME GROUPS HAVE HIGHER ERROR RATES,
17 OR SOME ETHNIC GROUPS ARE AFFECTED AT A HIGHER LEVEL. IT
18 DOESN'T GET INTO THOSE DETAILS. L.A. IS THE LARGEST COUNTY IN
19 THE COUNTRY AND THE MOST DIVERSE. THESE DETAILS ARE ESSENTIAL
20 AND IMPORTANT. AND ANY STUDY OF THIS WILL REVEAL THAT THIS
21 PROGRAM WOULD DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECT L.A. COUNTY. THAT IS
22 CLEAR. IF YOU EXTRAPOLATE FROM ANY OTHER RESEARCH, THAT'S WHAT
23 WILL HAPPEN. THAT IS OUR FORECAST OUR FIRM BELIEF. I WILL SAY
24 THAT OUT OF 7 MILLION EMPLOYERS NATIONWIDE, 169,000 USE THIS
25 PROGRAM. BUT THESE ARE NOT VOLUNTARY USERS. A LARGE SHARE ARE



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1 THE ONES WHO ARE MANDATED TO USE IT. WE BELIEVE IT SHOULD
2 REMAIN VOLUNTARY. I WILL LOOK AT OUR NEIGHBORING COUNTY, IN
3 SAN BERNARDINO, WHERE ONLY 600 OUT OF 48,000 BUSINESSES HAVE
4 VOLUNTARILY CHOSEN TO USE THIS. THIS IS PERHAPS WHY D.H.S.
5 LAST WEEK LAUNCHED A P.R. CAMPAIGN ASKING FOR A SEAL OF
6 APPROVAL FOR ANY BUSINESS THAT VOLUNTARILY ADOPTS THIS. THIS
7 IS A SIGN OF SOME DESPERATION, WE THINK. BECAUSE THERE'S
8 NOTHING WRONG WITH USING THE I-9 PROCESS CURRENTLY. SO THIS
9 SORT OF IMPLIES THAT ANY BUSINESS LEGITIMATELY FOLLOWING ALL
10 THE RULES BUT NOT USING E-VERIFY IS NOT ADHERING TO THE LAW?
11 THAT IS INCORRECT. THE DATA IS USUALLY DEFENDED BY D.H.S. AS
12 ACCURATE. RECENT STATEMENTS ARE FROM MARIANA GITTAMER, A
13 SPOKESWOMAN FOR D.H.S. SAYS "WELL, WE'RE PRETTY CONFIDENT WITH
14 THE ACCURACY OF THE DATABASE." DOES THAT SOUND LIKE SOMETHING
15 THAT THE COUNTY SHOULD CURRENTLY ADOPT? TO CLOSE, I WOULD SAY
16 GIVEN THESE PROBLEMS, THE FALSE NEGATIVES, PEOPLE FALSELY
17 IDENTIFIED AS NOT WORK ELIGIBLE WILL GO UP WITH THIS PROGRAM
18 AND IT WILL NOT ADDRESS THE FALSE POSITIVES, PEOPLE WHO HAVE
19 FRAUDULENT DOCUMENTS. SO THERE IS NO NEED FOR IT.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THANK YOU. NEXT?

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23 **VAL JACOBO:** GOOD MORNING, CHAIRMAN KNABE AND THE HONORABLE
24 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS VAL LE HUN JACOBO. I'M A
25 MANAGING PARTNER FOR A LOCAL MANUFACTURING FIRM IN THE GARMENT



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1 INDUSTRY HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I'M ALSO A FOUNDING MEMBER AND
2 OFFICER FOR PAC BIZ, WHICH IS THE ASSOCIATION OF PACIFIC
3 ISLANDER BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONALS. I AM HERE ALONG WITH MY
4 COLLEAGUES IN OPPOSITION TO THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM. AND I'M HERE
5 TODAY TO URGE YOU NOT TO ADOPT A MANDATE FOR E-VERIFY, AS IT
6 HURTS SMALL BUSINESSES AND MARGINALIZES A DIVERSE COMMUNITY.
7 E-VERIFY, JUST LIKE THE ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEM, IS AN
8 AUTOMATED SYSTEM WITH FLAWS. NATIONALLY IT HAS A 10 PERCENT
9 ERROR RATE FOR FOREIGN-BORN CITIZENS, WHICH COMPRISES 100
10 PERCENT OF OUR PAYROLL. THAT'S 100 PERCENT OF MY EMPLOYEES WHO
11 MAY BE WRONGLY IDENTIFIED AND HAVE THEIR JOBS JEOPARDIZED. IN
12 ADDITION TO DEVASTATING OUR EMPLOYEES, OUR ENTIRE PRODUCTION
13 LINE WILL BE INTERRUPTED AND BOTH EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE WILL
14 LOSE. MOST OF MY COLLEAGUES IN SMALL MANUFACTURING FIRMS HAVE
15 EXPRESSED TO ME THEIR DISMAY AND RELUCTANCE TO ADOPT E-VERIFY
16 FOR THE SAME REASONS. ALTHOUGH IT IS A SMALL, RELATIVE
17 PERCENTAGE, BUT WHEN YOU LOOK AT IT AND MULTIPLY THAT TIMES
18 THE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE WORKERS IN LOS ANGELES, THAT'S HUNDREDS
19 AND HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE DENIED A JOB, STRIPPED FROM THEIR JOBS,
20 AND BUSINESSES LIKE MINE WILL SUFFER JUST AS MUCH ECONOMIC
21 DEVASTATION AND ATTRITION AND HUMAN RESOURCE COSTS. THIS
22 CREATES MUCH UNCERTAINTY FOR SMALL MANUFACTURING FIRMS LIKE
23 OURS IN LOS ANGELES. THERE'S ALSO THE ISSUE OF ANOTHER SYSTEM
24 IN THE FUTURE AS THE COUNTRY EXPLORES COMPREHENSIVE
25 IMMIGRATION REFORM, ANOTHER START-STOP GOVERNMENT IMPOSITION



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1 ON SMALL BUSINESS. THE CURRENT I-9 VERIFICATION SYSTEM WORKS
2 FINE FOR US. THOSE BUSINESSES WHO BENEFIT FROM ADOPTING E-
3 VERIFY CAN DO SO FREELY, BUT IT SHOULD NOT BE MANDATED IN A
4 COUNTY SUCH AS OURS, WHICH HAS THE LARGEST, MOST DIVERSE
5 DEMOGRAPHIC IN THE COUNTRY. BUSINESSES WORK WITH THEIR
6 COMMUNITY TO SERVE THEIR COMMUNITY. WE TEACH OURSELVES TO LOOK
7 BEYOND THE DOLLAR SIGN AND THE FALSE POSITIVES OF ELECTRONIC
8 SYSTEMS THAT ARE NOT INCLUSIVE OF OUR COMMUNITIES. E-VERIFY
9 NEEDS FINE-TUNING. AND GOVERNMENT HAS TO WORK OUT THOSE FLAWS.
10 THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE THE BIGGEST TOLL ARE EVERYDAY PEOPLE, AND
11 NO CITIZEN OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHOULD BE DENIED A JOB
12 BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN REJECTED BY A SYSTEM. I URGE YOU NOT TO
13 MAKE THE MISTAKE OF ADOPTING E-VERIFY AS MANDATORY FOR
14 BUSINESSES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

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16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. NEXT?

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18 **NANCY RAMIREZ:** HI, MY NAME IS NANCY RAMIREZ AND I'M THE
19 WESTERN REGIONAL COUNSEL WITH MALDEF. MALDEF OPPOSES FURTHER
20 STUDY OF E-VERIFY AS IT BEEN WELL DOCUMENTED BY INDEPENDENT
21 STUDIES COMMISSIONED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO
22 BE A DEEPLY FLAWED SYSTEM THAT IS RIFE WITH INACCURACIES. FOR
23 THIS REASON, CONGRESS HAS FAILED TO MAKE IT MANDATORY. IT IS
24 DUPLICATIVE OF THE ALREADY MANDATORY I-9 VERIFICATION PROCESS.
25 IT WILL ADD TO THE COST OF BUSINESSES CONTRACTING WITH THE



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1 COUNTY AT A TIME WHEN THEY CAN LEAST AFFORD THEM AND BE A
2 BURDEN TO COUNTY CONTRACTORS FOR MENTAL HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS
3 TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS, ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE ALREADY
4 UNDERSTAFFED AND UNDER RESOURCED. IT IS LIKELY THAT CONGRESS
5 WILL ADDRESS E-VERIFY WHEN IT TACKLES IMMIGRATION REFORM IN
6 THE COMING MONTHS, IN WHICH CASE THE COUNTY WOULD HAVE TO RE-
7 ASSESS ITS FURTHER STUDY IN LIGHT OF CONGRESSIONAL MANDATES.
8 AND LITIGATION REGARDING ITS CONSTITUTIONALITY IS CURRENTLY
9 PENDING. IN 2007, THE STATE OF ARIZONA PASSED LEGISLATION THAT
10 REQUIRES EVERY BUSINESS IN THE STATE TO ENROLL IN E-VERIFY.
11 MALDEF AND OTHERS CHALLENGED THIS LAW IN FEDERAL COURT. WHILE
12 THE TRIAL COURT AND COURT OF APPEALS HELD THAT ARIZONA IS NOT
13 PRE-EMPTED BY FEDERAL LAW FROM MAKING E-VERIFY MANDATORY, WE
14 HAVE ASKED THE U.S. SUPREME COURT TO REVIEW THIS DECISION. A
15 FEW WEEKS AGO, THE U.S. SUPREME COURT REQUESTED THE U.S.
16 SOLICITOR GENERAL TO WEIGH IN AND PROVIDE ITS PERSPECTIVE ON
17 WHETHER THE COURT SHOULD REVIEW THE ARIZONA DECISION, WHICH
18 MEANS THAT THE SUPREME COURT IS SERIOUSLY CONSIDERING TAKING
19 THIS CASE UP ON REVIEW. ONCE THE SUPREME COURT RECEIVES THE
20 SOLICITOR GENERAL'S BRIEF, IT WILL MAKE A DECISION WHETHER OR
21 NOT TO TAKE THE ARIZONA CASE UP ON REVIEW. WE ANTICIPATE A
22 DECISION FROM THE SUPREME COURT IN SEVERAL MONTHS. IF THE
23 COURT DECIDES TO HEAR THE CASE, IT IS LIKELY TO NOT HAND DOWN
24 ITS DECISION FOR AT LEAST A YEAR OR MORE. IN THE MEANTIME, WE
25 ARE WAITING TO LEARN OF THE OUTCOME OF THE COURT OF APPEALS'



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1 DECISION IN LOZANO VERSUS CITY OF HAZLETON IN PENNSYLVANIA. IN
2 THIS CASE, THE FEDERAL COURT STRUCK DOWN A CITY'S REQUIREMENT
3 TO MAKE E-VERIFY MANDATORY FOR PUBLIC AGENCIES AND PUBLIC
4 CONTRACTORS BECAUSE IT WAS PRE-EMPTED UNDER FEDERAL LAW. THE
5 COURT OF APPEALS IN THIS CASE UPHOLDS THE TRIAL COURT DECISION
6 THAT MANDATING E-VERIFY IN THE CITY OF HAZLETON IS PRE-EMPTED
7 BY FEDERAL LAW AND THEREFORE NOT ALLOWED. THERE WILL BE TWO
8 DIFFERENT FEDERAL COURT OF APPEALS' DECISIONS ISSUING TWO
9 OPPOSITE DECISIONS ON THE E-VERIFY ISSUE. THIS WILL MAKE IT
10 MORE LIKELY THAT THE U.S. SUPREME COURT WILL TAKE THE ARIZONA
11 CASE UP ON REVIEW AND RESOLVE THE SPLIT AMONG THE TWO
12 CIRCUITS. FURTHER, E-VERIFY IS A DEEPLY FLAWED SYSTEM THAT
13 INCREASES DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LATINOS AND OTHER NATIONAL
14 ORIGIN MINORITIES, FOREIGN-BORN WORK AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUALS,
15 WHO ARE 30 TIMES MORE LIKELY TO NOT FIND A MATCH IN THE
16 DATABASE THAN U.S.-BORN INDIVIDUALS, FURTHER STUDY WILL INCUR
17 COSTS THAT THE COUNTY CANNOT AFFORD RIGHT NOW FOR A SYSTEM
18 THAT WE KNOW IS NOT RELIABLE. IT IS OUR POSITION THAT TO
19 FURTHER STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF E-VERIFY AT THIS TIME WOULD
20 BE A WASTE OF VALUABLE AND LIMITED COUNTY RESOURCES.

21
22 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. OKAY, NEXT?

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24 **VIVEK MITTAL:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS VIVEK MITTAL, AND I'M
25 WITH THE NATIONAL IMMIGRATION LAW CENTER. I'M HERE TO SPEAK



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1 AGAINST THE MOTION TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE
2 C.E.O.'S REPORT REGARDING MANDATORY USE OF E-VERIFY FOR ALL
3 EMPLOYERS CONTRACTING WITH L.A. COUNTY. THERE ARE MANY REASONS
4 WHY MANDATING E-VERIFY FOR ALL COUNTY CONTRACTORS IS
5 MISGUIDED. FIRST FEDERAL IMMIGRATION LAW EXPRESSLY PRE-EMPTS
6 ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM IMPOSING EMPLOYEE SANCTIONS ON THOSE
7 WHO EMPLOY, RECRUIT, OR REFER FOR A FEE UNAUTHORIZED
8 IMMIGRANTS. THUS ANY LOCAL LEGISLATION THAT ATTEMPTS TO
9 REGULATE THE HIRING OF UNDOCUMENTED WORKERS THROUGH THE E-
10 VERIFY PROGRAM MAY SUBJECT STATES AND LOCALITIES TO
11 UNNECESSARY LITIGATION THAT WILL WASTE TAXPAYERS' MONEY. AS MY
12 COLLEAGUE NANCY MENTIONS, THERE IS A CASE UP FOR REVIEW IN THE
13 SUPREME COURT, DEPENDING ON THE OUTCOME OF THAT CASE, THIS
14 COUNTY WILL HAVE TO RE-ASSESS AND INCUR MANY FEES IN THAT
15 REASSESSMENT ONCE THAT CASE COMES DOWN AND MAKES A FINAL
16 DECISION. SECOND, L.A. COUNTY IS UNDOUBTEDLY THE LARGEST
17 COUNTY CONSIDERING MANDATORY E-VERIFY LAW. E-VERIFY HAS A
18 SIGNIFICANT ERROR RATE AND IF IT IS MADE MANDATORY IN THE
19 COUNTY, THE BOARD WILL LIKELY HAVE TO DEAL WITH MULTIPLE SUITS
20 FROM MANY WORKERS WHO WILL BE UNABLE TO WORK DUE TO E-VERIFY.
21 THIS COULD COST THE COUNTY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN
22 DEFENDING AGAINST WORKER'S CLAIMS AGAINST COUNTY. WHEN
23 HAZLETON, PENNSYLVANIA PASSED AN ANTI-IMMIGRANT ORDINANCE THAT
24 INCLUDED A MANDATORY E-VERIFY LAW, THE COUNTY INCURRED
25 \$200,000 IN DEFENDING AGAINST PLAINTIFFS' CLAIMS. THE JUDGE



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1 ALSO ORDERED THE COUNTY TO PAY THE \$2.4 MILLION THAT THE
2 PLAINTIFFS SPENT IN BRINGING THE CASE, BRINGING THE TOTAL THAT
3 THE CITY ALONE HAD TO PAY CLOSE TO \$3 MILLION. ONE SUIT LIKE
4 THIS COULD PUT L.A. COUNTY INTO MORE FINANCIAL STRESS THAN IT
5 IS DEALING WITH ALREADY. ADDITIONALLY, IN THE CHICAGO AREA,
6 SEVERAL WORKERS HAVE BROUGHT COMPLAINTS AGAINST THEIR
7 EMPLOYERS FOR MISUSING THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM UNDER THE ILLINOIS
8 HUMAN RIGHTS ACT. FORTUNATELY FOR THEM, THERE IS A SET OF LAWS
9 AND OFFICIAL PROCEDURES THAT PROVIDES THEM SOME RECOURSE WHEN
10 THEIR JOBS ARE HARMED BY THIS EXPERIMENTAL PILOT PROGRAM. AND
11 THIS CAN HELP ENSURE THAT WORKERS, IN SOME WAYS, ARE
12 PROTECTED. UNFORTUNATELY, WORKERS HERE IN L.A. COUNTY DON'T
13 HAVE SUCH A LAW AND EMPLOYER MISUSE OF E-VERIFY CAN GO
14 UNCHECKED WITH NO RECOURSE FOR AGGRIEVED WORKERS. THIS IS
15 ESPECIALLY CRITICAL CONSIDERING THAT L.A. COUNTY ALSO HAS ONE
16 OF THE LARGEST WORKFORCES IN THE COUNTRY, AND WITH AN
17 UNEMPLOYMENT RATE OF 12.7 PERCENT, IT ALSO HAS ONE OF THE
18 LARGEST POPULATIONS OF PEOPLE WHO ARE UNEMPLOYED. IT BEHOOVES
19 THIS BOARD NOT TO PASS ANY LAWS THAT WILL PREVENT MORE WORKERS
20 FROM BEING ABLE TO BRING FOOD HOME TO THEIR FAMILIES OR
21 PREVENT THEM FROM CONTRIBUTING TO THE ECONOMY AND HELP US PULL
22 US OUT OF THIS FINANCIAL CRISIS. GIVEN THE UNRESOLVED
23 LITIGATION PENDING BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT, THE PROSPECT OF
24 SPIRALING LITIGATION COSTS AND THE POTENTIAL THAT HUNDREDS, IF
25 NOT THOUSANDS OF AUTHORIZED WORKERS WILL NOT ONLY BE PREVENTED



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1 FROM WORKING DUE TO FLAWS IN E-VERIFY, WHERE ITS USE WOULD BE
2 REQUIRED, I URGE THE BOARD TO DENY THE MOTION.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I'LL LET MR. ANTONOVICH
5 ADDRESS HIS MOTION, BUT CERTAINLY DOESN'T -- THIS MOTION
6 CERTAINLY DOESN'T IMPLEMENT ANYTHING. IT CONVENES WORKING
7 GROUPS FROM CONTRACTORS TO SURVEYS OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO LOOK
8 AT A SERIES OF POTENTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS. IT CERTAINLY DOESN'T
9 IMPLEMENT ANYTHING MANDATORY. IT MORE SO TO SORT OF LOOK AT
10 OTHER GOVERNMENTS' EXPERIENCES, LOOK AT LAWSUITS, MONITOR
11 POTENTIAL ISSUES THAT WERE RAISED BY ALL OF YOU, AND A REPORT
12 BACK TO THE BOARD, NOT IMPLEMENTING ANYTHING. MR. ANTONOVICH?

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I AGREE, MR. CHAIRMAN. WE'RE JUST TALKING
15 ABOUT A REPORT BACK. AND TO QUOTE FROM THE SECRETARY, JANET
16 NAPOLITANO, THE SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY, QUOTING HER,
17 SHE SAYS "REQUIRING THOSE WHO SEEK FEDERAL CONTRACTS TO USE
18 THIS E-VERIFY SYSTEM WILL CREATE A MORE RELIABLE LEGAL
19 WORKFORCE." AND SHE STATES, "ON AVERAGE 1,000 EMPLOYERS SIGN
20 UP FOR E-VERIFY EACH WEEK, TOTALING MORE THAN 134,000
21 EMPLOYERS, REPRESENTING MORE THAN HALF A MILLION VOCATIONS
22 NATIONWIDE." AND THEN SHE REFERS TO THIS ASSESSMENT BY WEST
23 STAT. SHE NOTED THAT BETWEEN OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER OF 2008,
24 NEARLY 97 PERCENT OF ALL QUERIES RAN THROUGH E-VERIFY ARE
25 AUTOMATICALLY CONFIRMED, WORK AUTHORIZED WITHIN 24 HOURS.



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1 SINCE OCTOBER 1, 2008, THEY HAVE PROCESSED MORE THAN 6 MILLION
2 QUERIES. AND IN APRIL OF 2009, AMERICAN CUSTOMER SATISFACTION
3 INDEX SURVEY OF OVER 1,000 E-VERIFY PARTICIPANTS, EVERY-VERIFY
4 SCORED 83 OUT OF A POSSIBLE 100, WELL ABOVE THE LATEST FEDERAL
5 GOVERNMENT SATISFACTION INDEX OF 69 PERCENT. ALL WE'RE DOING
6 HERE, THE COUNTY DOES NOT CONTRACT WITH THE GARMENT INDUSTRY.
7 WE ARE ONLY TALKING ABOUT CONTRACTORS WHO DO BUSINESS WITHIN
8 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CONTRACTORS
9 DOING BUSINESS WITH THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT, NOT WITHIN THE
10 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I MEAN THE LOS ANGELES TIMES, THEY DO
11 THIS, THE LOS ANGELES DODGERS, THEY DO THIS, A NUMBER OF
12 OTHERS. BUT THIS IS A REPORT BACK TO GET THAT INFORMATION SO
13 THAT THE BOARD CAN MAKE A DECISION. WHEN THE BOARD COMES BACK
14 FOR A DECISION TO BE MADE. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND, MEMBERS, YOU KNOW, IT IS TOUGH TO OPPOSE
17 WHEN A MEMBER IS ASKING FOR MORE INFORMATION OR ASKING FOR A
18 REPORT. INITIALLY, WHEN THE FIRST REQUEST CAME IN AND THERE
19 WAS A REQUEST FOR REPORT AND IT WAS PRESENTED, I JUST WANT US
20 TO UNDERSTAND WHAT PATH WE'RE GOING ON. I'M OPPOSED TO
21 CONTINUING THIS PATH, SO LET ME STATE MY REASONS WHY. BECAUSE
22 NOW WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS UNDERTAKING AN AWFUL LOT OF
23 EFFORT AND WORK WITHIN ALL THE DEPARTMENTS TO STUDY SOMETHING
24 THAT EVEN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DOES NOT MANDATE TODAY. RIGHT
25 NOW, IT IS A TOTALLY VOLUNTARY PROGRAM. FEDERAL CONTRACTORS



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1 ARE NOT REQUIRED OR MANDATED TODAY TO USE E-VERIFY. IT IS
2 TOTALLY VOLUNTARY. AND THAT'S AN IMPORTANT, AN IMPORTANT AND
3 SIGNIFICANT ISSUE. WHEN OUR OWN GOVERNMENT THAT HAS CREATED
4 THIS PROGRAM, DOES NOT MANDATE ITS CONTRACTORS, AGAIN, WHAT IS
5 IT THAT WE ARE TRYING TO PURSUE AT THIS POINT IN TIME? NOW, WE
6 KNOW, AND AS WAS EXPRESSED BY THE ADVOCATES HERE TODAY, THERE
7 ARE ISSUES PENDING WITH REGARD TO THE LEGALITY OF MANDATES.
8 AND THAT IS BEING PURSUED TODAY. AND I'M NOT SURE EXACTLY WHEN
9 THE SUPREME COURT WILL BE GETTING THAT CASE. BUT, AGAIN, IT IS
10 NOT A FINAL DECISION. NOW, I ALSO WANT THE BOARD MEMBERS TO
11 UNDERSTAND WHAT WE ARE UNDERTAKING. WE ARE ASKING THE 10,000
12 PLUS CONTRACTORS TO MANDATE THAT WE USE -- THAT THEY USE E-
13 VERIFY. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT FED EX. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT EVERY
14 MAJOR, WHAT IS IT, BONDING COMPANY THAT WE HAVE? WE'RE TALKING
15 ABOUT EVERY SINGLE CONTRACTOR, EVERY MENTAL HEALTH CONTRACTOR,
16 EVERY SINGLE ONE THAT SIGNS A CONTRACT MUST, BEFORE THEY SIGN
17 THAT CONTRACT, BE MANDATED TO USE E-VERIFY. NOW, THE LEGALITY
18 OF THAT ASPECT AND THOSE ISSUES MAY OR MAY NOT BE CHALLENGED.
19 SO THERE ARE ISSUES THERE. WE'RE GOING TO BE DEFENDING
20 SOMETHING THAT IS DEEPLY FLAWED, HAS BEEN PROVEN TIME AND TIME
21 AGAIN TO BE DEEPLY FLAWED. SO, AGAIN, BEFORE WE UNDERTAKE ALL
22 OF THIS EFFORT, I'M WONDERING IF WE ALL RECOGNIZE AND
23 UNDERSTAND WHAT THE PATH WE'RE ON. I KNOW THERE'S A LOT OF
24 EFFORT ON MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES' PART TO CONTRACT OUT VARIOUS
25 SERVICES. WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT NOW IS BEFORE WE DO IT,



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1 THERE WOULD BE A MANDATORY RESPONSIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN E-
2 VERIFY. AGAIN, THE STUDY GROUP IS GOING TO HAVE TO FIGURE OUT
3 WHAT DOES THAT MANDATE MEAN? HOW DO YOU EVALUATE THAT MANDATE?
4 HOW DO YOU MONITOR IT, LET ALONE AUDIT IT? WE HAVE ENOUGH
5 PROBLEM WITH CONTRACTORS THAT DON'T GET THE GOAL ON BASIC
6 STUFF, LIKE ALL THOSE GROUP HOMES THAT OWE US MILLIONS AND
7 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS FOR SERVICES THAT THEY DIDN'T PROVIDE TO
8 CHILDREN, ALL OF THOSE THINGS, ALL OF THAT KIND OF MONITORING
9 IS GOING TO HAVE TO GO, HAVE TO BE REVIEWED AND AUTHORIZED. IN
10 ADDITION, I DON'T KNOW TO WHAT EXTENT WE HAVE LIABILITY FOR
11 ALL OF THOSE EMPLOYEES THAT MAY BE DENIED EMPLOYMENT, ALTHOUGH
12 THEY MEET ALL THE QUALIFICATIONS TO BE WORKERS IN THIS
13 COUNTRY. WE HAVE SEEN SUCH INCIDENTS HERE IN OUR OWN COUNTY.
14 WE USE E-VERIFY. AND WE HAVE NEVER EVALUATED THE COST THAT IT
15 TAKES US TO GO THROUGH THE SYSTEM. WE HAVE NEVER EVALUATED HOW
16 OFTEN WE GET FALSE REPORTS, PARTICULARLY WHEN IT COMES TO
17 ASIAN-NAMES, FOREIGN NAMES IN WHICH YOU'RE NOT SURE HOW THEY
18 ARE SUBMITTED AND IT COMES BACK. SO FAR, I THINK -- AND WE
19 LOOKED AT SOME OF THESE ISSUES -- WE HAVE NOT DENIED
20 EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE WE GO AND SUBMIT IT TWO, THREE AND FOUR
21 TIMES. WE GO THROUGH THE EMPLOYEE, AS WELL. I'M NOT SO SURE
22 THAT MANY OF THESE EMPLOYERS ARE GOING TO PROVIDE THOSE KINDS
23 OF SAFEGUARDS. AND SO, CONSEQUENTLY, WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO SEE
24 IS A TARGETED GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS MORE THAN LIKELY THOSE
25 WITH, QUOTE, "FOREIGN" NAMES, THAT ARE GOING TO BE THE TARGET



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1 OF E-VERIFY. THERE IS A REASON THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT HAS
2 NOT MANDATED IT TO ALL OF ITS CONTRACTORS. WE SHOULD HOLD OFF.
3 THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT AS WE MOVE FORWARD ON IMMIGRATION
4 REFORM, THIS IS GOING TO BE PART OF THE ACCOUNTABILITY THAT'S
5 GOING TO BE THERE. HOPEFULLY DURING THAT TIME, HOMELAND
6 SECURITY AND ALL THOSE THAT ARE GOING TO BE RESPONSIBLE ARE
7 GOING TO COME UP WITH A WAY TO MAKE SURE THAT E-VERIFY IS A
8 MUCH MORE SECURE SYSTEM, A MUCH MORE RELIABLE SYSTEM. IT ISN'T
9 THAT TODAY. SO I THINK AND I'M ASKING EACH OF YOU TO REALLY
10 THINK: WHAT IS THE PATHWAY THAT WE'RE GOING ON? ARE YOU SURE
11 THAT YOU'RE GOING TO WANT EVERY SINGLE CONTRACTOR TO GO
12 THROUGH THIS PROCESS? WE'RE TALKING EVERY CONTRACTOR. IS THIS
13 JUST A POLITICAL THING SO YOU CAN SAY, "LOOK, WE'RE NOT
14 STOPPING IT" AND SO ON? I DON'T THINK WE'RE READY TO IMPLEMENT
15 IT AS IS, EVEN IF WE HAD EVERYTHING IN PLACE. THAT IS A
16 MONITORING MECHANISM, AN ENFORCEMENT MECHANISM, THAT IS THAT
17 EMPLOYER WHO DOES HIRE PEOPLE THAT DOESN'T USE E-VERIFY, WE'RE
18 GOING TO DENY THEM CONTRACTS? HOW WE'RE GOING TO IMPLEMENT
19 THIS SYSTEM? ALL OF THESE THINGS ARE GOING TO TAKE MONTHS AND
20 MONTHS TO GO THROUGH A REVIEW. BUT WHAT'S FASCINATING TO ME,
21 EVEN WE AS AN EMPLOYER, WHAT, WHERE ARE WE AT NOW 90 SOME
22 THOUSAND PEOPLE THAT USE E-VERIFY? WE'VE NEVER EVEN AUDITED
23 OUR OWN SYSTEM. WE DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DENIED
24 EMPLOYMENT. WE DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED
25 TO HAVING THEIR NAME SUBMITTED AND RESUBMITTED AND CONSTANTLY



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1 SUBMITTED. AND I THINK THAT BEFORE WE UNDERTAKE WHAT WE THINK
2 IS SOME KIND OF A PROVEN TECHNOLOGY, BEFORE WE UNDERTAKE SOME
3 KIND OF A MISSION TO TRY AND WEED OUT ALL OF THOSE PEOPLE WHO
4 ARE NOT HERE LEGALLY AND TRYING TO EARN A LIVING, IF THAT'S
5 WHAT WE'RE ATTEMPTING TO DO, WE SHOULD LOOK AT OUR OWN SYSTEM,
6 AS WELL. WE SHOULD LOOK AT HOW WE ENFORCE IT, WHAT DOES IT
7 COST US? WHAT DOES IT MEAN? AND I ALSO THINK WE NEED TO LOOK
8 AT THE LIABILITY ISSUES, AS WELL. WE ARE FORTUNATE THAT WE DO
9 A VERY EFFECTIVE JOB. BUT I HAVE NO IDEA, I DON'T KNOW WHAT
10 PATH WE ARE TAKING. I HAVEN'T ASKED COUNTY COUNSEL YET AS TO
11 WHAT ARE SOME OF THE LIABILITY ISSUES THAT WE WILL BE
12 CONFRONTING WHEN AN EMPLOYER DENIES SOMEONE BECAUSE OF OUR
13 MANDATE AND THEY ARE LEGAL CITIZENS. WILL WE HAVE A LEGAL
14 RESPONSIBILITY THERE? OR WHO WILL HAVE IT? THE FEDERAL
15 GOVERNMENT? THEY'RE USUALLY NOT GOOD AT HOLDING UP THEIR END
16 OF LIABILITY, AS WE'VE SEEN WITH ALL OF THE ICE OPERATIONS
17 WITHIN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SO I'M JUST WONDERING: DO YOU
18 RECOGNIZE AND UNDERSTAND THE PATHWAY THAT WE'RE GOING ON?
19 THANK YOU FOR YOUR AVID ATTENTION ON THOSE ISSUES. [APPLAUSE.]
20 I DO HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND THIS IS NOT A SMALL UNDERTAKING. WE
21 ARE TALKING ABOUT A MAJOR UNDERTAKING. I DON'T KNOW WHO -- I
22 WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE NO AND STOP THIS AT THIS POINT IN
23 TIME. AWAIT THE SUPREME COURT DECISION ON THIS. THAT WAY WE
24 ARE ON A PATHWAY WHERE WE KNOW WE'RE CORRECT AND RIGHT. AND IF
25 YOU CAN'T DO THAT, LET ME OFFER UP A MOTION THAT I HAVE THAT



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1 MY STAFF WILL PASS OUT. THIS IS A MOTION THAT SAYS "BEFORE WE
2 UNDERTAKE" -- REALLY? WELL THEN I'LL KEEP MY MOTION. I WILL
3 ALLOW YOU SO. I APPRECIATE IT, THOUGH.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'LL ALLOW IT?

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, NO. I JUST THOUGHT THERE WAS NO OTHER ONE
8 THAT WANTED TO SPEAK. ABSOLUTELY. I'M OPEN TO ANY COMMENT.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** FIRST QUESTION IS THAT I'M NOT SURE, AS
11 I READ THIS MOTION, I SEE THE PART, SIGNIFICANCE OF
12 IMPLEMENTATION, BECAUSE THERE WERE MAJOR ISSUES, BUT I SEE
13 NOTHING IN THIS MOTION THAT IMPLEMENTS A THING.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** I KNOW. I'M JUST SAYING THAT YOU'RE ON A PATHWAY
16 TO HAVE AN AWFUL LOT OF WORK THAT IS GOING TO BE DONE.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, AS A LARGE EMPLOYER, I THINK WE
19 SHOULD BE ON A PATHWAY TO AT LEAST CHECK IT OUT. ZEV?

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMENTS.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S RIGHT, UNLESS WE AGREED. (OFF
24 MIC, COMMENTS).

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'M NOT SURE VOTING NO IS NECESSARILY THE
2 ONLY OPTION. BUT I DEFINITELY THINK NOT VOTING ON THIS AT THIS
3 POINT IN TIME UNTIL SOME OF THESE ISSUES, COURT CASES THAT ARE
4 PENDING AS WELL AS THE ISSUES OF ACCURACY AND LIABILITY, WHICH
5 I DON'T THINK WAS BROUGHT UP BY ANYBODY. ONE OF THE QUESTIONS
6 I HAVE, WE USE E-VERIFY, DO WE NOT, MR. FUJIOKA? AS A COUNTY?
7 AS AN EMPLOYER? IF THE ACCURACY ISSUES HAVE ANY MERIT, THEN I
8 THINK THAT'S SOMETHING WE OUGHT TO LOOK AT, ALSO, SEPARATE AND
9 APART FROM THIS MOTION. BUT IN TERMS OF REQUIRING OUR
10 CONTRACTORS TO DO THIS, I AM NOT AWARE THAT THE DODGERS
11 REQUIRE THEIR CONTRACTORS TO USE E-VERIFY OR THE L.A. TIMES?
12 THAT'S ANOTHER -- ANYWAY, I THINK THAT THE ISSUE HERE FOR ME
13 IS IF WE REQUIRE A CONTRACTOR TO DO THIS, AND MAYBE I COULD
14 ASK THIS OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL. IF WE REQUIRE A CONTRACTOR TO
15 USE E-VERIFY AND IT COMES OUT THAT -- AND WE FIND OUT LATER
16 THAT WE GOT -- THAT THE CONTRACTOR GOT WRONG INFORMATION
17 BECAUSE OF A FLAW IN THE E-VERIFY SYSTEM, OR JUST A MISTAKE
18 WAS MADE BY E-VERIFY, THE PROPOSAL HERE IS TO STUDY WHETHER WE
19 SHOULD REQUIRE OUR CONTRACTORS TO USE THIS SYSTEM. IF THE
20 SYSTEM IS FLAWED AND SOMEBODY GETS NAILED INCORRECTLY, ARE WE
21 LIABLE?

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23 **ROBERT E. KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, I THINK THERE'S A
24 POTENTIAL FOR LIABILITY. IT CERTAINLY WOULD DEPEND ON FACTS AS



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1 TO WHAT ACTUALLY OCCURRED IN A CASE. AND ALSO, WITH RESPECT TO
2 THE LEVEL OF ACCURACY OF THE SYSTEM.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH. SO IT'S ONE THING WHEN WE'RE TAKING
5 THE RISK IN THE INTEREST OF OUR OWN ORGANIZATION. IT'S ANOTHER
6 THING -- BECAUSE WE HAVE SOME CONTROL OVER IT. WE CAN CEASE
7 DOING IT IF WE THINK IT'S TOO FLAWED, IF THERE'S A LIABILITY
8 ISSUE. IT'S ANOTHER THING TO -- BASICALLY WE'RE BECOMING
9 POLICE AGENTS, POLICE ENFORCERS OF THIS FOR PRIVATE COMPANIES,
10 WHICH IS SOMETHING I THINK THAT HAS A LOT OF OTHER
11 IMPLICATIONS IN TERMS OF WORKLOAD AND COST AND LIABILITY TO
12 US. I JUST THINK THERE ARE TOO MANY QUESTIONS AS MEMBERS OF
13 THE PUBLIC WHO TESTIFIED HAVE ATTESTED TO. AND WHAT I'D LIKE
14 TO DO IS REFER THIS, SUGGEST THAT WE JUST REFER THIS BACK TO
15 THE C.E.O. UNTIL THE COURT CASES ARE RESOLVED. IF WE HAVE MORE
16 INFORMATION, THEN MAYBE IN THE MEANTIME WE CAN CHECK IN OUR
17 OWN SHOP ABOUT THE ACCURACY OF THIS. BUT I WOULDN'T WANT TO
18 VOTE TO SEND THE C.E.O. AND HIS STAFF ON A MAJOR TASK HERE ON
19 SOMETHING THAT MAY NOT ULTIMATELY BE IMPLEMENTED BY US. I
20 THINK THAT'S WHAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS ADDRESSING OR
21 SUGGESTING BEFORE. THESE THINGS TEND TO TAKE ON A LIFE OF
22 THEIR OWN ONCE WE START STUDYING THINGS. THERE ARE
23 EXPECTATIONS THAT WE'RE THEN GOING TO DO IT. I'M NOT THERE. I
24 MEAN WE DO IT FOR OUR OWN EMPLOYEES -- IT'S TO REFER THE WHOLE
25 MATTER TO THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, NO TIME LIMIT ON THAT. JUST



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1 UNTIL THE COURT CASES RESOLVED AND/OR NEW INFORMATION COMES
2 ALONG THAT BRINGS THIS INTO SHARPER FOCUS. BUT I'M NOT
3 PREPARED TO SUPPORT IT NOW.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IF YOU GO TO THE VERIFY WEB PAGE AND YOU TYPE
8 IN THE ZIP CODE 90012, YOU WILL FIND THAT EMPLOYERS INCLUDE
9 THE LOS ANGELES DODGERS, THE LOS ANGELES TIMES, LITTLE TOKYO
10 PHARMACY AND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, BUT NOT THAT THIS IS CRITICAL, BUT
13 WHAT DOES IT SAY?

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, I'M SAYING THAT VERIFY IS BEING USED.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THEY'RE SAYING THE L.A. TIMES USE IT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YES.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WE USE IT.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S WHAT I'M SAYING.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT THE L.A. TIMES DOESN'T REQUIRE THEIR
2 CONTRACTORS TO USE IT. IF THEY CONTRACT WITH A JANITORIAL
3 SERVICE, THEY DON'T REQUIRE THE JANITORIAL SERVICE TO USE IT.

4
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I DON'T KNOW. ALL I'M SAYING IS THEY'RE
6 STATING THAT THEY USE IT SO THAT'S ON THEIR WEB PAGE..

7
8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, BUT WE USE IT, TOO. SO ON THAT BASIS,
9 WE'RE ON A PAR. BUT THIS IS TAKING IT TO A DIFFERENT LEVEL
10 WHERE WE'RE GOING TO REQUIRE PRIVATE COMPANIES, WITH WHOM WE
11 DO BUSINESS, OVER WHOM WE HAVE VERY LITTLE CONTROL, WHOSE
12 INTEGRITY HAS OFTEN BEEN BROUGHT INTO QUESTION, AS WE KNOW,
13 ESPECIALLY --

14
15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** I WILL SECOND SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S
16 MOTION.

17
18 **SUP. MOLINA:** HALLELUJAH. THANK YOU. NO, I THINK THAT THERE ARE
19 OUTSTANDING ISSUES. AND BEFORE WE TAKE A PATHWAY TO GET THERE,
20 AND I APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT ON THAT. BUT CAN I ALSO ASK THAT
21 -- AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, I HAD SHARED A MOTION WITH
22 HIM ABOUT THAT BEFORE WE UNDERTAKE GOING ON AND LOOKING AT
23 OTHER CONTRACTORS, WE SHOULD LOOK AT OURSELVES.

24
25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WAS PART OF THE MOTION.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** AGAIN, AND EVALUATE?

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ON WHAT WE'RE DOING.

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6 **SUP. MOLINA:** ON WHAT WE'RE DOING AND HOW IT GETS IMPLEMENTED.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** EXACTLY.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK THAT YOU WILL SEE -- AND THE EXPENSE
11 THAT'S INVOLVED AND ASSOCIATED WITH IT. I THINK THAT WE NEED
12 TO UNDERSTAND THAT WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO. AND THERE
13 IS A SYSTEM IN PLACE FOR THE MOST PART THAT ALREADY DOES MORE
14 OF IT WITH THE I-90S THAT ARE THERE. BUT NO, I THINK THAT THIS
15 DOES MERIT US TO STOP. IT IS JUST A REPORT. BUT TO STOP AND
16 LOOK AT WHAT IS GOING ON OUT THERE, WHAT IS OUR
17 RESPONSIBILITY, WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL LIABILITY. AND BEFORE WE
18 UNDERTAKE ALL OF THIS WORK, IS TO REALLY GET A LOT OF ANSWERS
19 ON SOME OF THESE THINGS ON ACTIONS THAT ARE GOING ON
20 SIMULTANEOUSLY, LIKE THE ISSUES GOING BEFORE THE SUPREME
21 COURT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, IF YOU HAVE A MOTION
24 ALONG THOSE LINES, I DIDN'T REALIZE THAT, GO AHEAD AND PUT IT
25 IN.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THE MOTION WAS SIMILAR, TO REFER THE
3 ENTIRE MATTER TO THE C.E.O., KEEP IT IN PLACE, BUT NO TIME
4 LIMIT, BUT TO LOOK AT OUR OWN SITUATION AS WELL AS --

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WILL SHARE MY MOTION WITH YOU, WHICH IS
7 BASICALLY AN AUDIT OF OUR SYSTEM. BECAUSE I THINK IT'S
8 IMPORTANT. MINE WAS BEFORE YOU WOULD IMPLEMENT THESE TASK
9 FORCES, WHY DON'T WE LOOK AT OUR OWN SYSTEM AS TO HOW IT WORKS
10 AND FUNCTIONS, AND WHAT IT WOULD MEAN WHEN WE START MANDATING
11 CONTRACTORS TO UTILIZE IT. BUT I THINK THAT I DON'T MIND THIS,
12 AS LONG AS WE POSTPONE THE ACTIONS OF THOSE TASK FORCES
13 MEETING AND STARTING TO UNDERTAKE WHAT IT'S GOING TO CARRY OUT
14 TO EMPLOYERS, TO CONTRACTORS THAT WE WAIT UNTIL RESOLUTION OF
15 SOME OF THESE LAWSUITS THAT ARE PENDING IN THE SUPREME COURT
16 AS WELL AS IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS.

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, AS I UNDERSTAND SUPERVISOR
19 MOLINA'S MOTION, IT IS ESSENTIALLY TO TASK THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
20 OFFICER, ALONG WITH THE OTHER NAMED ENTITIES, D.H.R. AND
21 COUNTY COUNSEL, TO PREPARE A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF OUR OWN
22 E-VERIFY SYSTEM. AND THE BALANCE OF IT IS SPELLED OUT HERE.
23 AND TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, I BELIEVE THAT IF WE
24 WERE TO MOVE IN THIS DIRECTION, WE WOULD BE MOVING PRUDENTLY
25 AND COLLECTIVELY EMBRACE WHAT I HEAR AS AN EMERGING CONSENSUS,



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1 BUT IT IS REASONABLY WELL ARTICULATED HERE, PARTICULARLY IN
2 THE PART THAT IS MOVED. SO I WOULD THINK THIS IS APPROPRIATE.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S APPROPRIATE AS LONG AS WE ALSO TABLE --
5 (OFF-MIKE) .

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** IT ASSUMES THAT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S A SUBSTITUTE MOTION. MY ONLY THING
10 IS, I MEAN, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY'S WAS MUCH SIMPLER THAN
11 THIS, BUT I'M NOT SURE THAT YOUR MOTION INDICATES ANY LESS
12 WORK THAN MIKE'S MOTION. BUT THAT'S OKAY.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YEAH, BUT IF RIDLEY-THOMAS HAD DONE IT, IT
15 WOULD HAVE BEEN FOUR OR FIVE PAGES.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT WOULD BE CORRECT. AND CLARITY WOULD
18 REIGN IN THE ENVIRONMENT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SO ANYWAY, WE WOULD HAVE A SUBSTITUTE
21 MOTION AUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
22 RIDLEY-THOMAS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET ME JUST SAY, IF YOU REMEMBER, WE REQUIRE
25 CERTIFICATION OF EMPLOYERS TO ABIDE BY THE LIVING WAGE. WE



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1 ALSO REQUIRE, MR. CHAIRMAN, WE ALSO REQUIRE THAT THEY'RE
2 CURRENT ON THEIR CHILD SUPPORT. THAT'S A REQUIREMENT THAT WE
3 REQUIRE OF EMPLOYERS TO ENSURE THAT THEIR EMPLOYEES. SO WE
4 ALREADY DO HAVE REQUIREMENTS IN PLACE.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE SUBSTITUTE
7 MOTION?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHICH ONE?

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S MOTION? OKAY. BUT I WOULD
14 ALSO LIKE, IF WE COULD HAVE, SAY, A REPORT BACK IN LIKE EIGHT
15 WEEKS, SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOW ABOUT 90 DAYS?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** 90 DAYS, 90 DAYS.

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21 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** STATUS REPORT AND YOUR MOTION.

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23 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T MIND A STATUS REPORT, BECAUSE AS QUICKLY
24 AS THEY COULD UNDERTAKE THE STUDY, I THINK IT WOULD BE
25 VALUABLE INFORMATION TO US AS WELL.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** 90 DAYS?

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4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** 90 DAYS.

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6 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** ONE QUICK CLARIFICATION. I ALSO HEARD THAT YOU
7 WANTED TO REPORT BACK ON THE -- WAS IT THE SUPREME COURT CASE.
8 SO THAT MAY NOT BE RESOLVED WITHIN THAT.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT THERE'S A STATUS.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** BUT THEN ALSO THE ISSUE INTERNALLY OF
13 HOW WE'RE--

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OKAY. WE'LL DO THAT.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IT'S A STATUS. RIGHT? SO
18 WHATEVER IT IS, IT IS AT THAT TIME, LEGALLY AND OTHERWISE.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THERE IS AN APPELLATE CASE THAT'S PENDING.

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** THERE ARE TWO CASES, CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** IS THAT A PENNSYLVANIA CASE? WHEN IS THAT
25 BEING HEARD? OH, SO THE DECISION IS PENDING? OKAY. THANKS.



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITH THAT CLARIFICATION, THEN, IN
3 90 DAYS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

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7 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SHE DIDN'T, I DID.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CLARITY IS REIGNING.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** IF SACHI DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IT, I DID. I
12 KNOW THAT SOMETIMES YOU DON'T THINK WE ALL UNDERSTAND YOUR
13 MOTIONS, BUT I JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHEN IT RAINS, IT POURS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET IT RAIN.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** LET IT RAIN. WE HAVE ADDITIONAL
20 ADJOURNMENTS, BUT I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY OTHER AGENDA
21 ITEMS. AM I CORRECT? BEFORE I TURN IT OVER TO SUPERVISOR
22 ANTONOVICH FOR EITHER MOTIONS OR ADJOURNMENTS, I JUST WANT TO
23 EXTEND TO EVERYONE, TO OUR COUNTY FAMILY AS WELL AS THOSE THAT
24 ARE WATCHING OUT THERE, ALL OUR RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES
25 COUNTY, A MOST JOYFUL AND HEALTHY AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO



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1 ALL OF YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES. ENJOY THE TIME TOGETHER,
2 TREASURE THE MOMENTS, AND JUST HAVE A GREAT THANKSGIVING. SO
3 WITH THAT, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST, I'D LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION FOR NEXT
6 WEEK, RELATIVE TO THE ADVERSE IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
7 STATION FIRE, THE CLOSURE OF THE ANGELES CREST FOREST HIGHWAY
8 AND THE ANGELES CREST HIGHWAY TO THROUGH TRAFFIC, THESE
9 CLOSURES WERE DUE TO THE ONGOING PUBLIC SAFETY THREAT
10 ASSOCIATED WITH THE LOSS OF ROADWAY SIGNAGE AND GUARDRAILS,
11 THE DEBRIS COVERING ROADWAYS AND MUD FLOWS ONTO THESE ROADS.
12 BECAUSE ANGELES CREST FOREST SERVES AS A CONVENIENT BYPASS
13 WITH STATE ROUTE 14 AND INTERSTATE 5, THE CONGESTED EXPERIENCE
14 DURING EMERGENCIES, THESE ROADS ARE CRITICAL LINK BETWEEN THE
15 ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE LOS ANGELES BASIN. SO I'D LIKE TO MOVE
16 THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR TO ORGANIZE A
17 TOWN HALL MEETING WITH THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IN DECEMBER,
18 PUBLICIZING THE MEETING FORMATION IN ADVANCE IN THE LOCAL
19 MEDIA TO ADDRESS THE REPAIR WORK ON ANGELES FOREST HIGHWAY
20 ASSOCIATED WITH THE STATION FIRE, PUBLICIZING THE MEETING IN
21 ADVANCE IN CONCERT WITH THE ANTELOPE VALLEY MEDIA OUTLETS.
22 KEEP THE EXISTING DRIVER NOTIFICATION SIGNS IN PLACE ON
23 SOUTHBOUND STATE ROUTE 14, ACTIVATE THEM AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS
24 POSSIBLE TO ALERT MOTORISTS TO IMPENDING TEMPORARY CLOSURES
25 DUE TO ANTICIPATED WEATHER. IDENTIFY THE FEASIBILITY OF



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1 CREATING A ROAD CONDITIONS A.M. RADIO BROADCAST FOR
2 INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THE OPENING AND CLOSING OF ANGELES
3 FOREST AND ANGELES CREST HIGHWAY BETWEEN ANTELOPE VALLEY AND
4 LA CANADA- FLINTRIDGE, ESTABLISH AN EMAIL ALERT NOTIFICATION
5 SYSTEM THAT WILL ALERT ANTELOPE VALLEY RESIDENTS AND OTHER
6 INTERESTED PARTIES CONCERNING THE UPCOMING CLOSURES OF ANGELES
7 CREST FOREST HIGHWAY DUE TO THE WEATHER, CONDUCT AN ADDITIONAL
8 MEDIA PUBLIC OUTREACH CONCERNING ROAD CONDITION INFORMATION ON
9 THE DEPARTMENT'S CARE WEB SITE AND REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN
10 30 DAYS CONCERNING PROGRESS ON THESE ISSUES. RELATIVE, MR.
11 CHAIRMAN, MAYBE WE COULD VOTE ON THIS TODAY BECAUSE THE
12 STARTING MEETINGS IN DECEMBER. DECEMBER IS NEXT WEEK. AND IT
13 PERTAINS TO THIS OPENING OF THAT ROAD. SO IF I COULD MAKE THAT
14 MOTION. ANGELES CREST HIGHWAY.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ANGELES CREST HIGHWAY.

17

18 **ROBERT KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** THIS IS AN AMENDMENT?

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NO, NO. THIS IS ASKING THE DEPARTMENT
21 RELATIVE TO INFORMATION ON THE ANGELES CREST HIGHWAY.

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23 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU HAVE COPIES OF THE NEGOTIATION

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1 **ROBERT KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** YOU NEED A FINDING OF URGENCY BASED
2 ON --

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE EMERGENCY IS THAT THE CLOSURES WERE DUE
5 TO THE FIRE AND NOW THEY'RE GOING TO BE OPENING THEM AND WE
6 WANT TO HAVE A TOWN HALL MEETING IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
7 RELATIVE WITH THE DEPARTMENT ON THIS ISSUE.

8

9 **ROBERT KALUNIAN, COUNSEL:** BUT THE 4-VOTE FINDING OF URGENCY.

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11 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES URGENCY.
12 I'LL SECOND THAT. SO ORDERED. MOVED THE MOTION AND SECONDED.
13 SO ORDERED.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO MOVE WE ADJOURN IN
16 MEMORY OF A VERY GOOD FRIEND, A GOOD PUBLIC SERVANT, AND THAT
17 WAS FORMER ASSEMBLYMAN NAO TAKASUGI, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE
18 AGE OF 87. NAO WAS BORN IN OXNARD. AND IN 1941, HE WAS A
19 JUNIOR AT U.C.L.A. WHEN WORLD WAR II HIT. HIS FAMILY WAS SENT
20 TO AN INTERNMENT CAMP IN TULARE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, AND THEN
21 THEY WERE SENT TO GILA RIVER INTERNMENT CAMP IN ARIZONA. IN
22 1943, A CHRISTIAN ORGANIZATION SPONSORED NAO AND 40,000
23 JAPANESE-AMERICAN COLLEGE STUDENTS TO GO TO THE EAST COAST FOR
24 THEIR COLLEGE. AND THERE HE ATTENDED TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, WHERE
25 HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE AND RECEIVED HIS M.B.A. FROM



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1 WHARTON COLLEGE BUSINESS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AT THE UNIVERSITY
2 OF PENNSYLVANIA. MEANWHILE, HIS FAMILY HAD REMAINED AT THE
3 ARIZONA CAMP UNTIL 1945. RETURNING TO OXNARD, HE RAN HIS
4 FAMILY BUSINESS, WAS ELECTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL AND WAS MAYOR
5 OF OXNARD FROM 1982 TO 1992, BEFORE WINNING THE ELECTION AS
6 REPUBLICAN STATE ASSEMBLYMAN FROM THAT AREA WHERE HE SERVED
7 WITH DISTINCTION. HE EARNED THE RESPECT AND ADMIRATION OF HIS
8 COLLEAGUES FOR HIS VALUES, HIS INTEGRITY AND HIS LEADERSHIP.
9 HE LEAVES HIS WIFE JUDY AND THEIR FIVE CHILDREN, SCOTT,
10 RUSSELL, RONALD, LEA, AND TRICIA, WHO IS ONE OF THE REPORTERS
11 ON CHANNEL 11 NEWS. BUT HE WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN THE JAPANESE-
12 AMERICAN REPUBLICAN ACTIVITIES, SERVED WITH DISTINCTION ON THE
13 GOVERNOR AT THAT TIME, NOW PRESIDENT -- FORMER PRESIDENT BUSH
14 -- I SHOULD SAY REAGAN AND BUSH'S DELEGATIONS. SO ANOTHER GOOD
15 FRIEND, MARIA ANN MORIARTY, PASSED AWAY ON NOVEMBER 17TH. SHE
16 WAS FROM NEW YORK -- I SHOULD SAY BORN IN NEWARK, NEW JERSEY,
17 AND ATTENDED CENTRAL HIGH AND THEN ATTENDED RUTGERS UNIVERSITY
18 WAS, A HIGH FASHION MODEL IN NEW YORK CITY, AND THEN MOVED TO
19 ENCINO AT THE AGE OF 9. SHE WAS A GIRL SCOUT, ACTIVE WITH THE
20 GIRL SCOUT VALLEY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL. SHE WAS A FOUNDER OF THE
21 DOROTHY CHANDLER MUSIC CENTER, AN AVID OPERAGOER, AN
22 ACCOMPLISHED ARTIST WHERE SHE STUDIED UNDER RENE NORDSKOG IN
23 THE MEDIUMS OF PAINTING AND SCULPTURING. AND SHE IS SURVIVED
24 BY HER HUSBAND, JOHN, WHO IS ONE OF OUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
25 AND THEIR SIX CHILDREN. ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND AND MANY OF YOU



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1 MET THE CHRISTOS WHEN THEY WERE HERE, JEAN-CLAUDE PASSED AWAY.
2 IN COLLABORATION WITH HER HUSBAND, CHRISTO, THEY CREATED THE
3 MASSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS OF ART. IN 1976, THE HUSBAND-WIFE
4 TEAM INSTALLED A 24-MILE-LONG RUNNING FENCE ALONG SONOMA AND
5 MARIN COUNTIES. IN 1991, THEY INSTALLED 1700 GIGANTIC YELLOW
6 UMBRELLAS ALONG A 19-MILE STRETCH OF THE TEJON PASS, CROSSING
7 THE BOUNDARIES BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND KERN COUNTY.
8 THEY COMPLETED LARGE-SCALE ART PROJECTS IN MIAMI, NEW YORK,
9 JAPAN, BERLIN. JEAN-CLAUDE WAS EDUCATED IN FRANCE. HER FATHER
10 WAS A MILITARY OFFICER. SHE RECEIVED HER BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN
11 LATIN AND PHILOSOPHY. AND THEN SHE MET CHRISTO IN PARIS, WHERE
12 HE WAS COMMISSIONED TO PAINT A PORTRAIT OF HER MOM. AT FIRST,
13 SHE WAS CHRISTO'S BUSINESS MANAGER, AND THEN BECAME AN ARTIST
14 OUT OF JOY OF COLLABORATING WITH HER HUSBAND ON WORKS OF ART.
15 AND THEY DO ALL THIS WITHOUT GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY, IT WAS ALL
16 THROUGH PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS THAT THEY HAVE BEEN DOING THEIR
17 WORK. SHE WAS A WONDERFUL LADY. ANDREA MICHELLE REYNOLDS,
18 PASSED AWAY. SHE LIVED IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND WORKED AT
19 THE ANTELOPE VALLEY HOSPITAL. JOHN MCLEAN MCKINLEY, WORLD WAR
20 II VETERAN, RECEIVED HIS DOCTORATE IN ENGLISH AND DRAMA AT THE
21 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN AND BECAME A SPORTSCASTER FOR RADIO
22 TALK OF THE MORNING SHOW AT ABC AFFILIATE. HE AND HIS WIFE
23 THEN MOVED TO CALIFORNIA AND SETTLED IN GLENDALE, 1953, WHERE
24 HE AND HIS FATHER OWNED AND MANAGED UTTER-MCKINLEY MORTUARIES,
25 WITH FUNERAL HOMES IN LOS ANGELES, BALTIMORE, PHILADELPHIA,



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1 AND HONOLULU. HE RETIRED IN 1986, WAS QUITE INVOLVED WITH
2 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL AND HAD PERFECT ATTENDANCE FOR 55 YEARS
3 SERVING AS PRESIDENT IN LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE ROTARY CLUB AND
4 CHAIR OF THE ROTARY ROSE FLOAT COMMITTEE IN 1997, MEMBER OF
5 THE SOUTHERN CAL BIG 10 CLUB FOR 50 YEARS AND WAS NAMED MAN OF
6 THE YEAR IN 2002. FOUNDER AND SUSTAINING PATRON OF THE MUSIC
7 CENTER AND LEAVES HIS WIFE, SYLVIA, OF 53 YEARS AND THEIR
8 CHILDREN. MAX KERNSTEIN, WHO WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE LOS
9 ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT RESERVE CORPS SINCE 1983 AT THE
10 PACIFIC DIVISION AND RECENTLY TRANSFERRED TO THE NEW OLYMPIC
11 STATION. HE SERVED IN A NUMBER OF CAPACITIES AND WAS A MAJOR
12 CONTRIBUTOR TO L.A.P.D.'S RESERVE SPEAKERS BUREAU. HE WAS ALSO
13 A VETERAN, SERVED AT THE AMERICAN WORLD WAR II WITH THE COAST
14 GUARD AND ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION. JOSEPH HURLEY,
15 SERVED FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS AS PRESIDENT OF RALPH PARSON'S
16 FOUNDATION, PLAYING A ROLE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE L.A.
17 COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, ACTIVE IN THE SAN FERNANDO
18 VALLEY, MEMBER OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AS
19 WELL AS OTHER COMMITTEES AND RECEIVED HIS DOCTORATE IN LAW
20 FROM THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY'S AMERICAN SCHOOL AND WAS A REAL
21 ESTATE DEVELOPER. ALFRED FARNELL, RETIRED LOS ANGELES DEPUTY
22 COUNTY SHERIFF WHERE HE SERVED FOR 26 YEARS. DARRYL GENE
23 DEARTH, EARNED HIS DEGREE IN THEOLOGY FROM LINCOLN CHRISTIAN
24 UNIVERSITY IN ILLINOIS AND PREACHED IN A NUMBER OF CHURCHES,
25 WAS A GIFTED MUSICIAN, AND AFTER HIS CAREER IN AEROSPACE, HE



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1 ESTABLISHED THE CLERGY PROGRAM AT THE CRESCENTA VALLEY
2 SHERIFF'S STATION. AND VIVENCIO CORTES, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF
3 THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, STARTED HIS CAREER AS A TYPIST CLERK
4 IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND WAS LATER ASSIGNED TO AN ANTELOPE
5 VALLEY AREA OFFICE AND THE VALENCIA SUBOFFICE LOCATIONS. AND
6 WILLIE ROSS, WHO WAS ACTIVE IN THE AGAPE COMMUNITY CHURCH,
7 LIVED IN ANTELOPE VALLEY AND ACTIVE IN THE COMMUNITY. THOSE
8 ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS. EARLIER THIS MONTH, ONE OF THE
9 HISTORIC EVENTS IN WORLD HISTORY WHERE THE SWASTIKA KIND OF
10 JOINED THE HAMMER AND SICKLE IN THE JUNK PILE OF HISTORY WAS
11 WHEN THE BERLIN WALL FELL AND THE THREE PEOPLE THAT DID SUCH A
12 GREAT ROLE IN THAT -- THE HOLY FATHER, POPE JOHN PAUL II, AND
13 MARGARET THATCHER, THE FORMER PRIME MINISTER OF ENGLAND AND
14 FORMER PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN. AND THERE HAVE BEEN MANY BOOKS
15 AND ARTICLES WRITTEN ON THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS, BUT WE OWE A REAL
16 GREAT DEBT OF GRATITUDE FOR THEIR SPIRITUAL AND POLITICAL AND
17 MORAL LEADERSHIP IN SEEING THAT THE BERLIN WALL FELL. THANK
18 YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE SOME PUBLIC COMMENTS.
21 WE DO? FIRST OF ALL, IRENE PANG. IF YOU'RE WITH US, PLEASE
22 COME FORWARD. BOBBY COOPER, EDWARD MERIDA, AND ARNOLD SACHS.
23 ANY OF YOU IN THE AUDIENCE, PLEASE COME FORWARD. THANK YOU.
24 OKAY. IF YOU WILL IDENTIFY YOURSELF FOR THE RECORD. PLEASE
25 BEGIN.



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2 **IRENE PANG:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS IRENE PANG. I'D LIKE TO
3 DISCUSSING ABOUT THE SITUATION, MYSELF, THE SITUATION. I WORK
4 FOR THE UNITED STATES. WHEN I FINISHED MY SCHOOL, GRADUATED
5 FROM SCHOOL, AND I CONTINUE TO WORK FOR UNITED STATE.

6 (INAUDIBLE) SINCE I SAW THAT ON THE T.V. ALL THE THE NEWS, SAW
7 THE SUICIDE, SAW THE TRAGIC HAPPEN TO THE UNITED STATES, ALL
8 THE CITY AND I MAKE MYSELF, I CONFIRMED TO WORK FOR THE UNITED
9 STATE GOVERNMENT. THIS WHY EVEN THOUGH -- (INAUDIBLE) GO TO
10 DIFFERENT CITY TO BUY THE MATERIAL TO (INAUDIBLE). I KEEP
11 WORKING FOR MORE THAN 10 YEARS, EVEN THOUGH IN SOCIETY, EVEN
12 THOUGH (INAUDIBLE) THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN THE UNITED STATES
13 ASSIGNED ME TO TAKE SOME JOB, BETTER TO WORK FOR THE PUBLIC
14 AND UNITED STATE NATION GOVERNMENT. AND THE SECOND, I'D LIKE
15 TO DISCUSS ABOUT MY COUNTRY AND LOS ANGELES AND MY CITY, EL
16 MONTE. IT'S REALLY OFTEN IN THE DAY AND NIGHT (INAUDIBLE) ANY
17 TIME, TO GO TO THE OFFICE AND TO GO INSIDE A TENT, WE NEED
18 GOVERNMENT OFFICER. IN THAT KIND OF SITUATION, THEY CAPTURE
19 THE OFFICER AND THEY KIDNAPPED SOMEWHERE SOME WHERE
20 (INAUDIBLE) AND I EXPECT UNITED STATE GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL AND
21 STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ALSO
22 CONTINUE CITY TO BETTER A BETTER JOB IN OUR CITY AND PROTECT
23 OUR CITIZENS.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOUR TIME'S UP. THANK YOU.



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2 **IRENE PANG:** THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. NEXT? MR. MERIDA.

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6 **EDWARD MERIDA:** I'M EDWARD. MERIDA. THAT'S ALL RIGHT, THAT'S
7 PRONOUNCED MERIDA IN CALIFORNIA. I'M FROM TEXAS, OKAY? I'M
8 EDWARD MERIDA. I'M REVEREND DOCTOR EDWARD MERIDA. THIS IS MY
9 FOURTH TIME I THINK, BEING BEFORE YOU ON THE PUBLIC SPEAKING
10 FORUM AND I'M HERE ON A PERSONAL ISSUE. IN ORDER TO NOT GIVE
11 THE IMPRESSION THAT I'M WELL OFF, I'M ON WELFARE. I'M HERE
12 STILL TRYING TO GET A WELFARE GRANT TAKEN OUT. I BROUGHT A
13 DOCUMENT THAT I WANT TO READ TO YOU BRIEFLY. THE FIRST IS A
14 FOOD STAMP NOTICE THAT I RECEIVED IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR.
15 IT'S DATED 11-01-08. IT SAYS AS OF 11-01-2008, THE COUNTY IS
16 CHANGING THE STAFF FROM \$176 TO \$157. HERE'S WHY. WHEN YOUR
17 INCOME CHANGES, YOUR FOOD STAMP AMOUNT ALSO CHANGES. IT SHOWS
18 HERE, AND I DON'T KNOW WHY, IT SHOWS HERE THAT I'VE BEEN
19 GETTING GENERAL RELIEF, \$221 A MONTH. OKAY? I WAS ONLY
20 RECEIVING ABOUT \$150 WORTH OF FOOD STAMPS THEN. I DON'T KNOW
21 WHY I WAS SENT THIS NOTICE. IN JANUARY, I WAS SENT A NOTICE OF
22 AN ACTION TAKEN BY THE COUNTY THAT THEY WERE CUTTING THE FOOD
23 STAMPS OFF ALTOGETHER. I FILED AN APPEAL ON THAT NOTICE.
24 THAT'S WHY I'VE BEEN COMING HERE. I'VE GOT A PHOTOCOPY OF THE
25 NOTICE HERE AND IT SHOWS THAT I APPLIED, I FILED THE APPEAL ON



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1 FOOD STAMPS AND CASH AID. ALL RIGHT. I'M HERE TODAY TO RECEIVE
2 A JUDGE'S ORDER. I'VE BEEN TO TWO APPEALS HEARINGS. I WANT TO
3 READ ONLY PART OF IT. ONE IS THE CONCLUSION. IT SAYS THE
4 COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE HAS THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE BINDING
5 STIPULATIONS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY AT THE HEARING. AT THE
6 HEARING, THE COUNTY APPEALS SPECIALIST AND THE PLAINTIFF,
7 THAT'S ME, STIPULATED THAT THE COUNTY WOULD RESCIND THE
8 JANUARY 16, '09 NOTICE, DISCONTINUING CLAIMS FOOD STAMPS
9 EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31, '09 AND ISSUE TO CLAIMANT ANY
10 RETROACTIVE AND ONGOING BENEFITS AS OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE.
11 THEREFORE, THE COUNTY IS BOUND BY THIS STIPULATION. THE LAST
12 PART I'M GOING TO READ IS THE ORDER. THE ORDER SAYS THE CLAIM
13 IS GRANTED IN PART AND DISMISSED IN PART. BASED ON THE
14 AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES, LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHALL RESCIND THE
15 THE JANUARY 16, '09 NOTICE DISCONTINUING CLAIMANT'S FOOD
16 STAMPS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31, '09, AND ISSUE TO CLAIMANT ANY
17 RETROACTIVE AND ONGOING BENEFITS AS OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WE CAN HAVE SOMEONE FROM -- IS SOMEONE
20 FROM THE DEPARTMENT CAN VISIT WITH THIS GENTLEMAN AND LOOK AT
21 THE ORDER? RIGHT OUT THERE, PLEASE. SHE'S WILLING TO -- THE
22 LADY OUT THERE FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

23

24 **EDWARD MERIDA:** NOW, CHAIRMAN KNABE, CAN I MAKE JUST ONE
25 STATEMENT?



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2 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, YOUR TIME IS UP. GO AHEAD QUICKLY.

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4 **EDWARD MERIDA:** I'VE TALKED TO ABOUT FOUR DIFFERENT WOMEN.

5 NOTHING HAS HAPPENED SO FAR. TO ME, I'M DUE \$2,210 CASH. THE

6 FOOD STAMPS HAVE BEEN PLACED ON THE-- ALL RIGHT. I'M DUE

7 \$2,210 BY THE COUNTY, EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER OF THIS YEAR, THIS

8 MONTH. I'M TRYING TO GET THE CASH. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** COULD SOMEONE FROM COUNTY COUNSEL ALSO

11 VISIT WITH THIS GENTLEMAN AS WELL AS THE DEPARTMENT?

12

13 **EDWARD MERIDA:** SUPPOSED TO PUT THE BENEFITS ON THERE.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** SOMEONE? DO WE HAVE SOMEONE THAT --

16 OKAY. ALL RIGHT. NEXT?

17

18 **BOBBY COOPER:** YES. MY NAME IS BOBBY COOPER. I'VE BEEN HERE

19 BEFORE. I WAS HERE LAST WEEK. I'M HERE AGAIN ABOUT MY MOTHER,

20 PROTECTIVE SERVICE. MY UNCLE CALLED ME FROM SAN FRANCISCO AND

21 TOLD ME, INFORMED ME THAT MY MOTHER WAS IN THE HOSPITAL TO

22 HAVE TWO BLOOD TRANSFUSIONS. THIS IS POSSIBLY FROM NOT EATING

23 RIGHT. YOU HAVE A SOCIAL WORKER JUST TURNED MY MOTHER OVER TO

24 SOME PEOPLE. MY DAUGHTER AND HER HUSBAND ARE FELONS. I'M NOT A

25 FELON. I'M A PROFESSIONAL CHEF. I KNOW HER NUTRITION. I'VE



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1 TAKEN CARE OF MY MOTHER ALL OF MY LIFE OF I'VE BEEN HER
2 GUARDIAN. THERE'S NO REASON FOR THAT WOMAN TO COME IN OUR
3 HOUSE, SOCIAL WORKER, AND HAVE SOCIAL WORKERS OUT HERE CO-
4 SIGNING. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MY MOTHER BACK, FIND OUT WHERE
5 SHE IS, AND IF SHE'S STILL ALIVE. BECAUSE IF SHE'S NOT ALIVE,
6 I KNOW WHO'S RESPONSIBLE. NOW, ANOTHER THING, THEY'VE BEEN IN
7 MY BANK ACCOUNT AGAIN. I'VE TURNED THE DOCUMENTS OVER TO THE
8 CITY. I'VE -- WELL, MARIAN, MARGIE, SOMEBODY AT THE CITY
9 ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR INVESTIGATIONS, SHE ALLEGED SHE TURNED
10 OVER TO THE -- INFORMATION OVER TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S
11 OFFICE. I NEED TO BE INTERVIEWED. I KNOW EVERYTHING ABOUT IT,
12 MY CASE, YOU KNOW, WITH REGARDS TO THE THEFT OF THOUSANDS OF
13 DOLLARS OF INSURANCE MONIES, ETCETERA, I BROUGHT IT BEFORE THE
14 COUNTY COUNSEL AND THE CITY COUNCIL IN RIVERSIDE COUNTY WHEN
15 THEY FIRST STARTED DOING THIS. I CAN'T GET A PHONE. THIS IS MY
16 BEDROOM RIGHT HERE. THIS IS A WIRE RUNNING LEGAL WIRE,
17 TELEPHONE WIRE RUNNING ALL THROUGH MY HOUSE. I CAN'T GET A
18 CALL OUT TO GET AN ATTORNEY. I'VE BEEN UP HERE BEFORE. YOU
19 UNDERSTAND WHAT I'M SAYING? I DON'T NEED THIS. I NEED SOME
20 HELP. THEY'VE TAKEN ALL MY MONEY. I'VE GOT TWO CARS GONE NOW.
21 CITY PICKED UP MY OTHER CAR LAST MONTH. NOW I DON'T HAVE
22 ANYTHING. I DON'T EVEN HAVE NOTHING TO WASH MY CLOTHES,
23 HYGIENE, OR NOTHING. I DON'T KNOW WHERE MY MOTHER IS. I'M NOT
24 A CRIMINAL. WHY IS THIS HAPPENING TO ME? WHY? MY AVOCATION, I
25 WAS SELLING THESE RIGHT HERE. THIS IS \$50,000 PROJECT THAT I



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1 HAD GOING IN MY HOUSE WHEN THE SOCIAL WORKER GOT INVOLVED.
2 THIS IS ALL GONE. YOU UNDERSTAND? I'M OUT HERE ON THE STREET
3 TRYING TO SELL IT FOR LUNCH MONEY, YOU KNOW, JUST TO EAT.
4 THAT'S NOT RIGHT. THE CITY IS NOT BROKE AND THE COUNTY IS NOT
5 BROKE. THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO ADDRESS THIS MATTER IN A CIVIL
6 MATTER. I SHOULDN'T HAVE TO GO THROUGH A LEGAL SYSTEM OF FIGHT
7 IN COURT FOR MY CIVIL RIGHTS. THAT'S GUARANTEED TO EVERY HUMAN
8 BEING, ISN'T IT? I'M NOT HORRIBLE. I'M NOT OUT HERE TO SEND
9 NOBODY TO JAIL. ALL THEY HAVE TO DO IS TALK TO ME IN PRIVATE,
10 LET'S RESOLVE THIS MATTER. I DON'T WANT TO BE IN COURT. I'M
11 TOO OLD FOR THIS, I'M 66. THEY'RE ALL UP INTO MY SOCIAL
12 SECURITY, MY SCHOOL RECORDS. EVERYTHING IS WIPED OUT, AND MY
13 BANK ACCOUNT BECAUSE OF THE COUNTY SOCIAL WORKER'S SLANDEROUS
14 ALLEGATIONS. I'D APPRECIATE IT IF YOU'D GIVE ME SOME HELP. I'D
15 APPRECIATE IT IF YOU'D TRY TO HAVE SOMEBODY GIVE ME SOME TYPE
16 OF GRANT. I GUARANTEE YOU, I'D PAY YOU BACK, YOU KNOW, BECAUSE
17 I AM NOT LAZY.

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19 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

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21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. HAPPY
22 HOLIDAYS AGAIN TO ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS. IT IS MY METRO THREE
23 MINUTES. YOU KNOW WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN. IN THIS LATEST
24 UPDATE FROM THE "L.A. TIMES," THEY SEEM TO HAVE THEIR SIGHTS
25 SET ON THE DOWNTOWN CONNECTOR OR, AS I LIKE TO CALL IT, THE



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1 FINAL FRONTIER, THE BLUE LINE. IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN BUILT OVER
2 20 YEARS AGO. AND I'M READING IN THIS ARTICLE THAT IN THE
3 PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS, THE ROUTE WAS ESTIMATED TO COST 700
4 MILLION, IN 2008 DOLLARS. SO I WAS JUST WONDERING IF WE COULD
5 GET AN ESTIMATE ON WHAT IT WOULD HAVE COST IN 1980 DOLLARS TO
6 HAVE IT BUILT WHEN IT WAS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED TO GO FROM -- TO
7 BE PART OF THE ROUTE THAT WENT FROM LONG BEACH TO UNION
8 STATION. INSTEAD, WE HAVE THIS MASSIVE SPACE BETWEEN 7TH AND
9 METRO AND UNION STATION, ACTUALLY, AND A CHANGE OF THE LINE
10 COLOR TO THE GOLD -- TO COLOR GOLD SO THAT IT CAN BECOME A
11 TOTALLY SEPARATE PROJECT FROM THE ORIGINAL BLUE LINE. THEN I'M
12 ALSO LOOKING IN THE ARTICLE, AND IT STATES METRO'S LATEST
13 UNDERGROUND PLAN HAS BEEN ONE OF THE AGENCY'S FINAL EIGHT
14 PROPOSED DESIGNS. WE HAVE EIGHT DESIGNS, WE HAVE FOUR ALSO IN
15 THE SAME ARTICLE. TWO OF THE FOUR ALTERNATIVES INVOLVE
16 BUILDING A CONNECTOR THROUGH DOWNTOWN. YOU HAVE FOUR
17 ALTERNATIVES, EIGHT DESIGNS, \$700 MILLION IN 2008 DOLLARS. YOU
18 HAVE 17 PLANS FOR THE WEST SIDE EXTENSION THAT WERE WHITTLED
19 DOWN TO PROBABLY TWO. YOU HAVE THE HARBOR SUBDIVISION WHERE
20 THEY WERE CONSIDERING RUNNING METROLINK STYLE TRAINS. THE
21 POINT BEING, SOMEBODY FROM METRO NEEDS TO GET SOME REALITY --
22 A SHOT OF REALITY OVER THANKSGIVING. BECAUSE IT WOULD BE NICE
23 OTHERWISE TO FIND OUT HOW MUCH METRO HAS SPENT ON STUDIES, ON
24 STUDY AFTER STUDY AFTER STUDY AFTER STUDY. IT'S MIND BOGGLING.
25 ITEMS ARE PROPOSED. BRADLEY PROPOSES BUILDING A SUBWAY DOWN



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1 WILSHIRE BOULEVARD 25 YEARS AGO, 30 YEARS AGO, AND WE GET
2 STUDIES. WHERE'S SOME LEADERSHIP? NOW WE'RE GETTING MONEY, SO
3 YOU CAN BE SURE THAT IT'S GOING TO BE WELL SPENT. THAT'S A
4 JOKE. BUT WHERE'S SOME LEADERSHIP TO GET SOME PROGRAMS, TO
5 FOLLOW THROUGH, AND GET SOME SYSTEMS COMPLETED. AGAIN, HAVE A
6 NICE HOLIDAY AND A HAPPY THANKSGIVING.

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8 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, ARNOLD. AGAIN, I THINK THAT'S
9 THE END OF PUBLIC COMMENTS. YOU'LL READ US INTO CLOSED
10 SESSION, BUT AGAIN, TO EVERYONE, TO THE COUNTY FAMILY AND TO
11 ALL OF THOSE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WE WISH YOU ALL A MOST
12 JOYOUS AND HEALTHY AND SAFE THANKSGIVING.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
15 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
16 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1, CONFERENCE
17 WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS, WILLIAM T FUJIOKA, CHIEF EXECUTIVE
18 OFFICER AND DESIGNATED STAFF, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED
19 AGENDA, AND ITEM NO. CS-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
20 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS
21 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THANK YOU.

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